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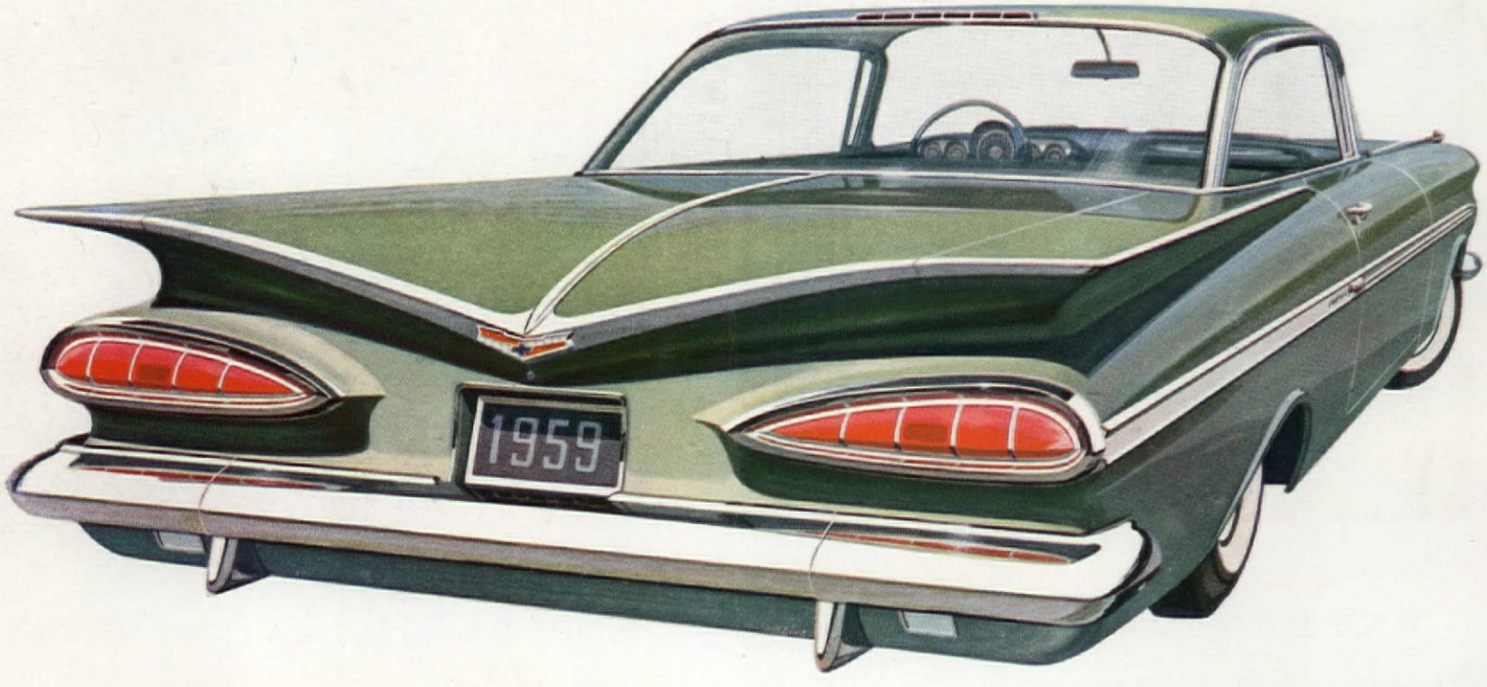
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**A jolly Christmas pattern for your door or lawn**



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**A STAR LIGHTS UP OUR CHRISTMAS ISSUE**

Meet Mrs. Shirley Temple Black—happy housewife and adoring mother of three (Susan, Charlie and Lori). It doesn't seem so long ago that a tiny, curly-mopped Shirley was strutting across our movie screens. Now a whole new generation curls up wide-eyed before her delightful "Storybook" series on NBC-TV. We can't think of a nicer Christmas present than a tale told by Shirley Temple just for The American HOME, just for *you*.



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**FRANCES SCHIPPER, ARTIST WITH A PASTRY TUBE**

You might guess that "Fran" is a native of up-and-at-'em New England. As if she weren't busy enough cooking for her men-folk (engineer-husband, William, and a grown son), she has a busy schedule of courses at her unique school of cake-decorating—and still finds time to donate her talents to many fund-raising charities. If you think all artists work in paint, then you've never been to one of talented Mrs. Schipper's fascinating "exhibitions."



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**LINDA KAY KENT . . . AND SHE CAN COOK TOO!**

Only 17, and a senior at Sunbury Area High School in the Delmarva Peninsula, Linda is collecting her culinary laurels early. Her original recipe for Chicken Tater Barbecutie won raves at the famous Delmarva Chicken Festival this year, and we predict you'll be dashing to your range to try it. Linda's favorite school subject is home economics . . . her hobby is (you guessed it) cooking . . . and we can't help but approve her ambition . . . homemaking.

**MEET THE MAN IN THE RED FLANNEL SUIT**

It's always nice to have a man around the house *and* The American HOME (remember, we're a service magazine for the *whole* family). You'll meet this very important man on every page this month in one jolly way or another. But more than that, we're actually giving away Santa Claus this year—a FREE Christmas pattern, the first in our exciting new give-away-pattern series. (See the gingerbread pattern on page 63 too!)



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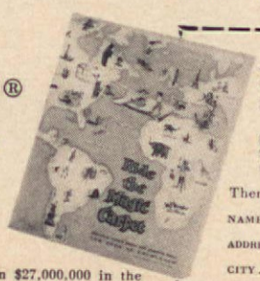
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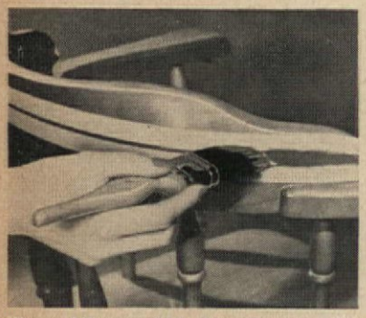
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## OUR COVER

**Oh-h-h! A child's dream of Christmas . . . sugar and spice and skaters on ice . . . snowmen and Santa, angels and elves . . . all frosted over with a sugary coating of magic. Isn't this how every child dreams of home at Christmas? And you, too? House-made-of-candy by Buchanan Florist, New York City. Photograph by Peter Benech.**


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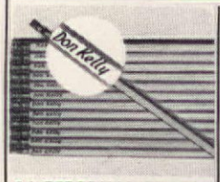
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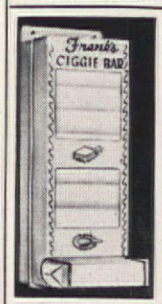
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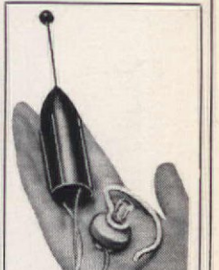
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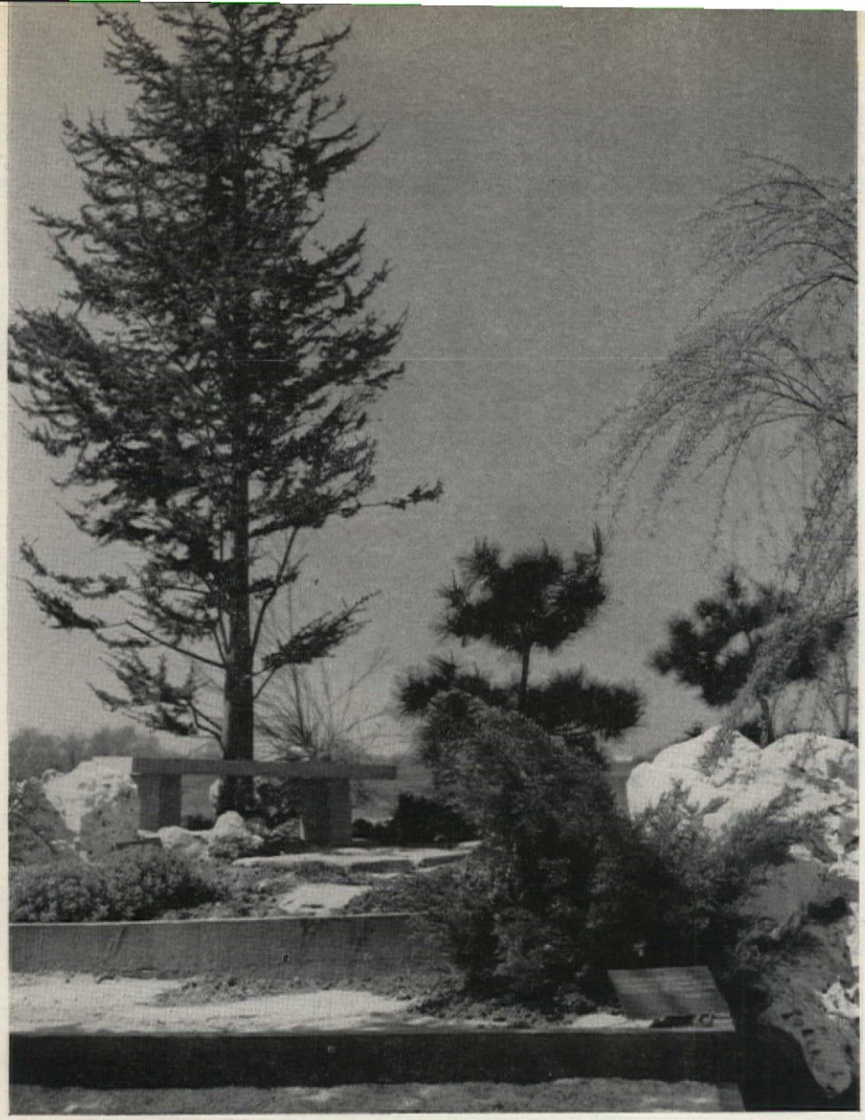
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**GARDEN OF PEACE.** *As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people, from this time forth and forever.* Psalms 125:22

The rock at the right, representing mountains, was brought to the Bible Gardens from Jerusalem. The upright tree is a cedar of Lebanon (Cedrus libani).




# Bible Stories in Gardens

A few miles from New York City, just off the Garden State Parkway at Woodbridge, New Jersey, the Bible Gardens of Israel have been established "to promote deeper understanding and wider appreciation of the Holy Bible through public enjoyment and study of the authentic plants, trees and flowers mentioned in Holy Writ."

The Bible Gardens consist of four main plantings—the Garden of the Promised Land, the Garden of Moses, the Garden of the Kings, and the Garden of Peace (Garden of Jerusalem)—and are composed entirely of plants native to the Biblical area of the Near East.

Bronze plaques are inscribed with Biblical passages and identify the plants by their original Hebrew names, their common English names and their Latin scientific names. Besides plants, the Gardens feature rocks, pebbles and wood brought expressly for the project from various parts of the Holy Land.

The Bible Gardens of Israel were designed by Alan Dalsimer, landscape architect of Cedarhurst, Long Island, and the selection of plants was supervised by Dr. Harold N. Moldenke of the New York Botanical Garden, author of the book *Plants of the Bible.*

**GARDEN OF THE KINGS.** *And he* [David] *took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had; and his sling was in his hand; and he drew near to the Philistine.* I Samuel 17:40

These stones, representing the five stones with which David armed himself against Goliath, were brought to the Gardens from the Valley of Ela.



**GARDEN OF MOSES.** *And the Lord said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there; and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.* Exodus 24:12

The garden is dominated by a monolith brought from Mount Carmel, in front of which is a figure of Moses holding aloft the tablets inscribed with the Ten Commandments.



**GARDEN OF THE PROMISED LAND.** *But lift thou up thy rod and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it; and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.* Exodus 14:16

The path, symbolizing the divided sea, is imbedded with pebbles brought to the Bible Gardens from the Red Sea. The boulder in the background was dug from the Jordan Valley. THE END




# How We Retired in 15 Years with $300 a Month

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"I knew that. 'Want to start a business of our own?' I asked.

"Nancy shook her head. 'You know we haven't enough money for that—experience, either. How much would we have to save up to retire on bank interest?'

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# Q A

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*A digest of the most frequently asked questions by American HOME readers... and our answers!*

**Q.** *How can I prepare a plan for a flower garden?*

**A.** Buy a few sheets or a pad of graph paper at your stationer's—it'll be ruled eight or ten lines to the inch. Letting ⅛″ or 1/10″ represent 1′, make a reasonably accurate drawing of your property and its permanent features—house, garage, driveway, paths, large trees and shrubs, and anything else you can't or don't want to move. To do this, start by measuring distances from the property lines, plot these on the graph paper, then measure other distances from these fixed points. Eventually you'll have a complete and fairly accurate drawing of your property and everything on it.

Now you can work out the sizes and shapes of plantings you'd like or which seem appropriate to the property. Next, by consulting plant catalogs or garden books for the widths, heights, shapes and colors of the kinds of plants you want, you can sketch in the right plants for all the plantings you've already drawn.

**Q.** *The latest built-in appliances intrigue me, but many of us just starting housekeeping in apartments can't install built-ins. What advice can you give us in selecting free-standing units?*

**A.** There are some free-standing appliances on the market today that have all the appearances of built-ins without many of the installation requirements of their elegant cousins. We are speaking of the squared-off look in new appliances today. Side by side, these appliances give the feeling of permanence in your kitchen but can be easily moved when you leave. Also, there are portable dishwashers available that require no installation. They are on wheels and attach to the faucet of your kitchen sink for operation.

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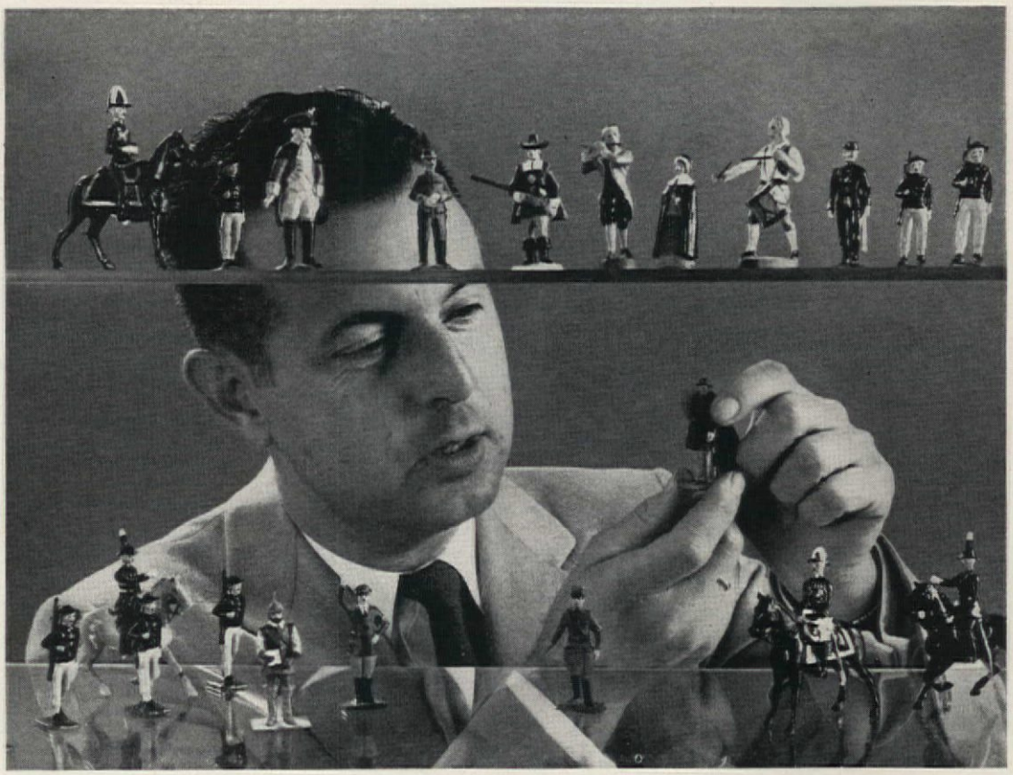


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**THE "GENERAL IN COMMAND,"** George van Tubergen, inspects the troops, arrayed for battle on adjustable glass shelves in his Ontario, Calif., home. The ones shown here are hand-made replicas of figures from various periods in history.

# Parade of the Christmas Soldiers

BARBARA LENOX



**STRATEGIC MOVES** can be plotted on this outdoor sand-table battlefield, which is 10 feet long. It has a protecting roof and a storage area underneath. An Arab village, complete with sand mountains and adjoining fields, is the scene of combat here—the battles are staged between two or four opponents who have easy access to the 6-foot-wide table.

All males, big and little, love to play "arm-chair general" or "kitchen-floor general." And many a delighted tot will find toy soldiers under his Christmas tree this year. But George van Tubergen of Ontario, California, takes his soldiers seriously. As a boy of 12, he began collecting military miniatures. Now his collection numbers over twelve hundred—and is still growing. Even more fascinating, George is one of the few collectors who creates and manufactures his own tiny warriors.

Make no mistake, the van Tubergen miniatures are not mere toys. They're exact reproductions, modeled to scale, in authentic uniform and equipment. In the lively swapping back-and-forth among collectors, George has traded with such prominent enthusiasts as Winston Churchill, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and the late Franklin D. Roosevelt.

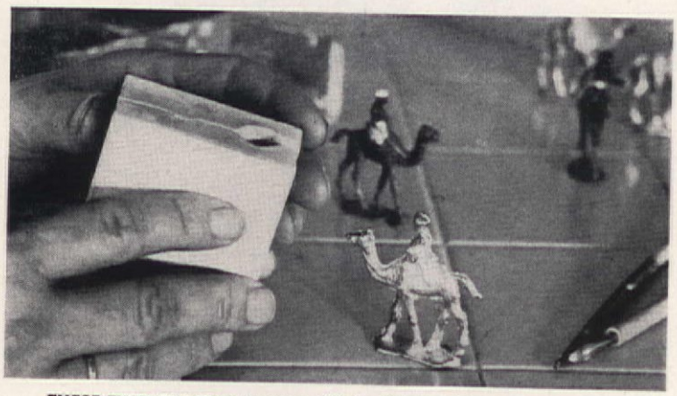
Do the van Tubergens keep their hobby locked away in a closet? Not by a long shot! Colorful figures march proudly across the mantel, parade on a coffee table, strut on adjustable glass shelves. Here you'll see a Scotch Highlander, there a soldier from the French and Indian War. Now your eye is caught by a medieval knight on horseback, or a Civil War casualty.

The collection dates as far back as the ancient Assyrian soldiers—goes through Greek, Roman and ancient European days right on up to modern times. (George confesses that he does have a few missing periods among his tiny soldiers—but give him time!)

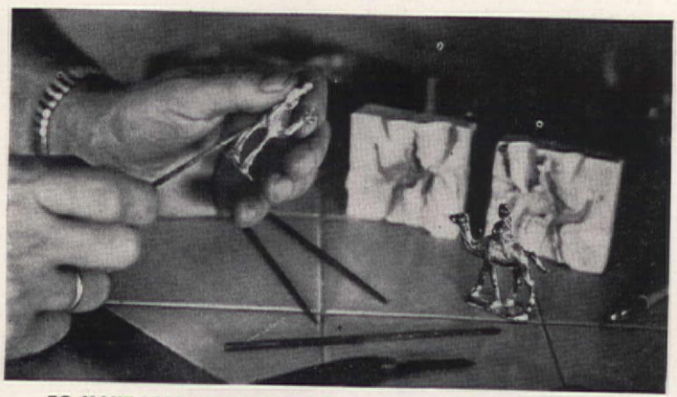
Van Tubergen and his friends spend many stimulating hours recreating scenes of famous battles. They set up the skirmish on a towel-covered game table shaped to simulate hills and fields—or, in summer, on a sand table in the garden. In the garage there's a miniature battlefield where several hundred soldiers can fight it out amongst trees and rocks and bunkers.

Collecting military miniatures needn't be expensive . . . if you stick to the dime-store variety. But real *aficionados* may pay as much as $500 for a rare antique. Although George van Tubergen considers his collection strictly a spare-time hobby, he's as meticulous about the reproductions he creates as he is about those he collects. Through intensive study he is able to furnish authentic Civil War reproductions for collectors abroad—just as Europeans supply him with French and British Colonial troop miniatures in authentic battle and parade dress.

He designs his own molds, which he paints in proper uniform after the figures have been



**THESE TWO PLASTER MOLDS** will be filled with hot lead after the impression of the figure has been made on each side.



**TO MAKE LEAD MINIATURES,** George works in the corner area of the kitchen, using the range to heat the lead.

poured and allowed to solidify. When making lead miniatures, George works in a corner of the kitchen, using the range to heat the lead. This is a painstaking process, requiring less equipment than craftsmanship. Occasionally, he makes models out of plastic wood, carving with a small sharp knife.

The standard height for miniatures is 54 millimeters, or roughly two and a half inches. Tiny, indeed, but they comprise a king-size hobby filled with pleasure and relaxation!



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**Hungarian Chocolate Frosting.** Melt 4 squares Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate. Blend in 2¼ cups sifted confectioners' sugar and ¼ cup hot water. Add 2 egg yolks; beat. Gradually add 6 tablespoons softened butter or margarine, beating well after each addition.

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# Christmas Patterns

*'Tis the season to be jolly with these festive decorations for your window . . . your lawn . . . your front door!*



**LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW,** let it snow. But even if it doesn't you can have this snowman-papa and his shy son for your yard. Our small friend John Eric is testing the pompon. #1763, 75c




**LET SANTA** greet your Christmas callers at your door. He's fat and jolly and reads off a welcome from all the family. Cut from plywood, then paint his enchanting features. With this pattern you can't miss. #1761, price 75c



**IF YOU HAVE A BIG WINDOW** that cries out for Christmas trimmings, paint these wonderful cathedral bells right on the glass with wash-off paint, or use the same pattern to cut out of plywood, paint with washable paint. Pattern #1764, 50c

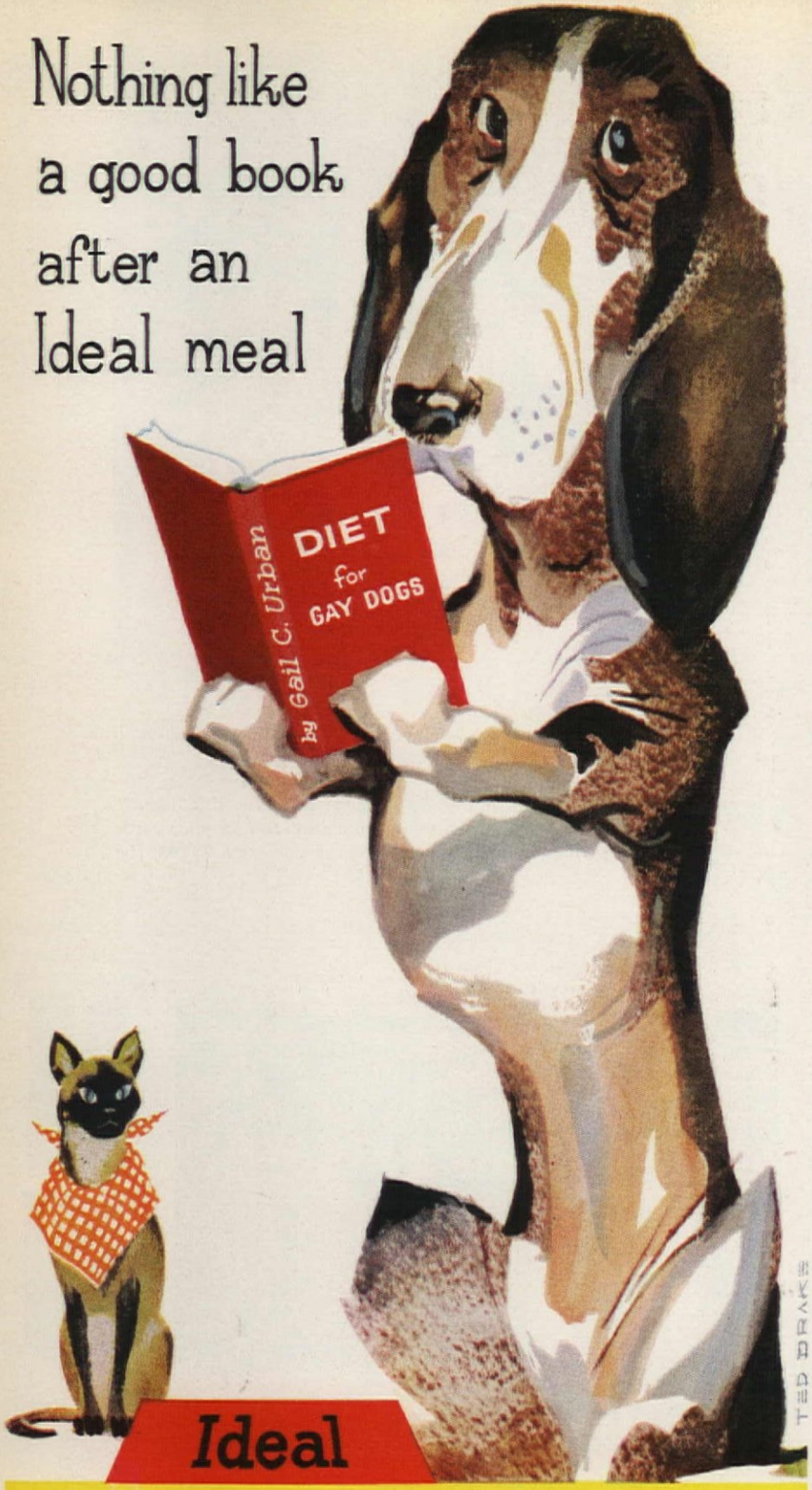


**PLYWOOD MAILBOX** filled with gifts deceives the eye. Actually it is just one sheet of plywood cut out *flat*, then painted in perspective so that the packages seem to have dimension. Add real greens and Christmas ornaments. Full-size pattern makes it easy to cut out. #1762, price 60c

*Christmas is just days away. Now—right now—is the time to order these gay Christmas patterns. Do it today!*

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# Pattern Order Form

**These patterns are shown on page 15**

**1761—75c.** Full-size pattern for a dear jolly Santa to be cut out of outdoor plywood, painted gaily, then seated in a real chair. Paint your family names on the scroll.

**1762—60c.** Another full-size pattern of a real fun type of Christmas decoration. This is a mailbox filled with presents. Actually it is cut out of a *flat* piece of plywood, painted in perspective, which is easy with our pattern. The greens and the Christmas ornaments are real.

**1763—75c.** The snowman and his small son are also cut out of exterior plywood painted to withstand the weather. Full-size tracing pattern.

**1764—50c.** You can use this pattern as a guide to paint bells on your window. Or paint them on pieces of cutout plywood. Paint them with wash-off paint on the window, but use enamels on the plywood so you can use them year after year.

**Here are some more Christmas decorations not shown in this issue.**

**1214—25c.** Wrong-way Santa! He goes down the chimney upside down. An amusing roof decoration which includes toy bag, reindeer and "Merry Christmas."

**1333—50c.** An angel atop your door would be a nice way to greet Christmas callers. Pattern gives complete details.

**1450—30c.** Bring carol singing close to home by painting these carolers on the inside of your storm door. Musical notes blossom on a painted tree. Use wash-off poster paint for easy after-holiday removing.

**1488—25c.** If you have a picture window here is a trio of choir boys with candles all cut out of metal-foil papers. "Pomander" balls made from plastic snowballs stuck all over with whole cloves and hung with red ribbons add decorative note.

**1686—50c.** Make a bright locomotive, coal car and tank from cereal boxes covered with bright foil papers for a novel decoration to put under the tree or on the mantel. Easy-to-follow pattern.

**1687—50c.** To start a new Christmas Tradition, make a beautiful border to baste on your best Holiday cloth. Bright little felt Christmas trees in several sizes add glitter with sequins and beads and tiny "candy" canes. The border can be removed from the cloth and rolled up for storage to use year after year.

**1707—50c.** Pattern for a beautiful mosaic design of the 3 Kings riding their camels in the quest of the "Star," bearing gifts for the new King who will be found under the star. This is large enough to use on a storm door. Craft papers are mounted on a clear plastic panel.

**1708—35c.** A trio of caroling angels with golden wings playing golden instruments to paint on a panel for a door or mantel decoration. The pattern includes a wonderful idea for lighted panels on each side of the door, like twinkling stars.

**1709—25c.** For a truly elegant door or mantel decoration here is a pattern for a lovely silver (or gold) lyre and horn arrangement with greens, ribbon and a beautiful full-blown rose.

**1710—40c.** A fat jolly Santa with a great bag of gifts to use on a door or over the mantel, over a table or as a center of attraction almost anywhere. Make him of oilcloth and styrofoam and tiny Christmas balls.

**1711—30c.** Hang a sign on your lawn shaped like an Early American street sign saying Season's Greetings to all who pass your way. Full instructions.

**1712—30c.** Another decoration that can be used in many ways. This is a pattern for a Swedish Santa "Jul Tomtë" made of wool yarn. It can be used as a wonderful crib-set toy too.

**1713—40c.** Delightful Penna. Dutch painting designs to form old-fashioned door panels on any door. The motifs include Angels and Birds on trees with gay flowers. Full-size pattern.

**1714—25c.** This is a pattern for a garage door. It is a scene of Santa's barn and is very gay with hens and roosters as well as Santa's reindeer. There're snow and an old-fashioned sleigh in the picture too.

**1715—60c.** A group of silhouetted angels for an outdoor decoration that is large and impressive. They are mounted in a shadow box.

**1716—60c.** A companion scene of the 3 Kings silhouetted in a large shadow box for a lawn decoration.

**1718—75c.** Magnificent design for a "stained glass" window depicting the 3 Kings. to mount on glass panels and hang in your window. This is a large design and a companion piece to pattern #1649, Madonna and Child, and #1650, Shepherd and Wise Men, priced at 75c each. You could use one or all three together.

**A few last-minute suggestions for making Christmas gifts.**

**1647—50c.** If you have a pretty girl on your list make this little "courting" mirror. It is a copy of an antique with a charming painted border. Pattern includes shape of mirror and painted border.

**1653—35c.** Pattern for a Nativity shadow box that would be a lovely thing on a table, over a mantel or mounted on the wall. Easy to make.

**1668—50c.** Have Dad make a lamp for that friend who is so hard to please. This is handsome, but not difficult. Made of wood, hexagonal in form.

**1680—85c.** Keep a record of a favored child's growth. Make this special Christmas gift "measuring stick" of Jack and the Beanstalk, which you paint around a door mirror.

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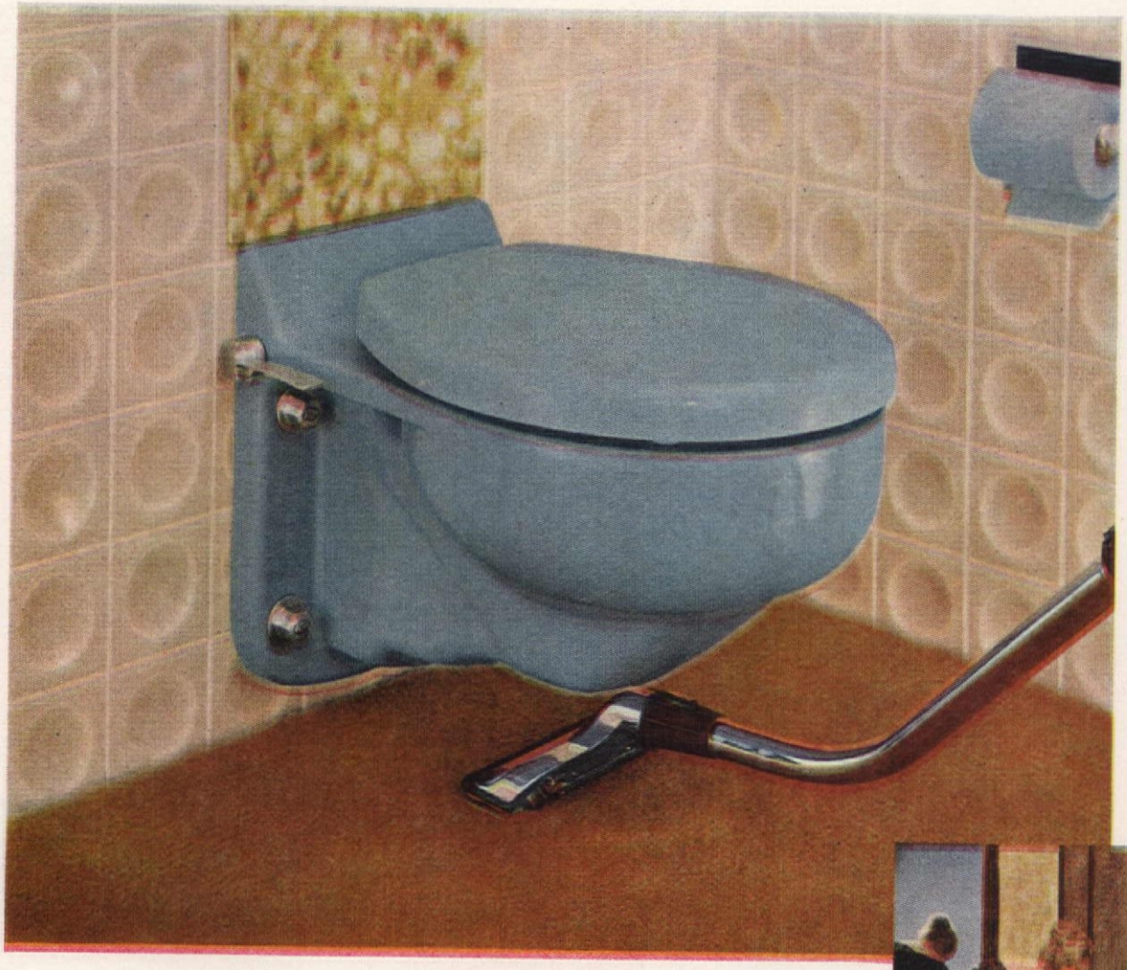
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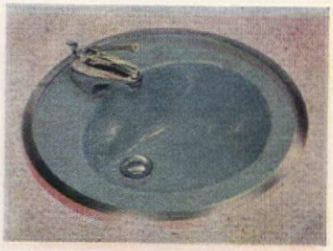
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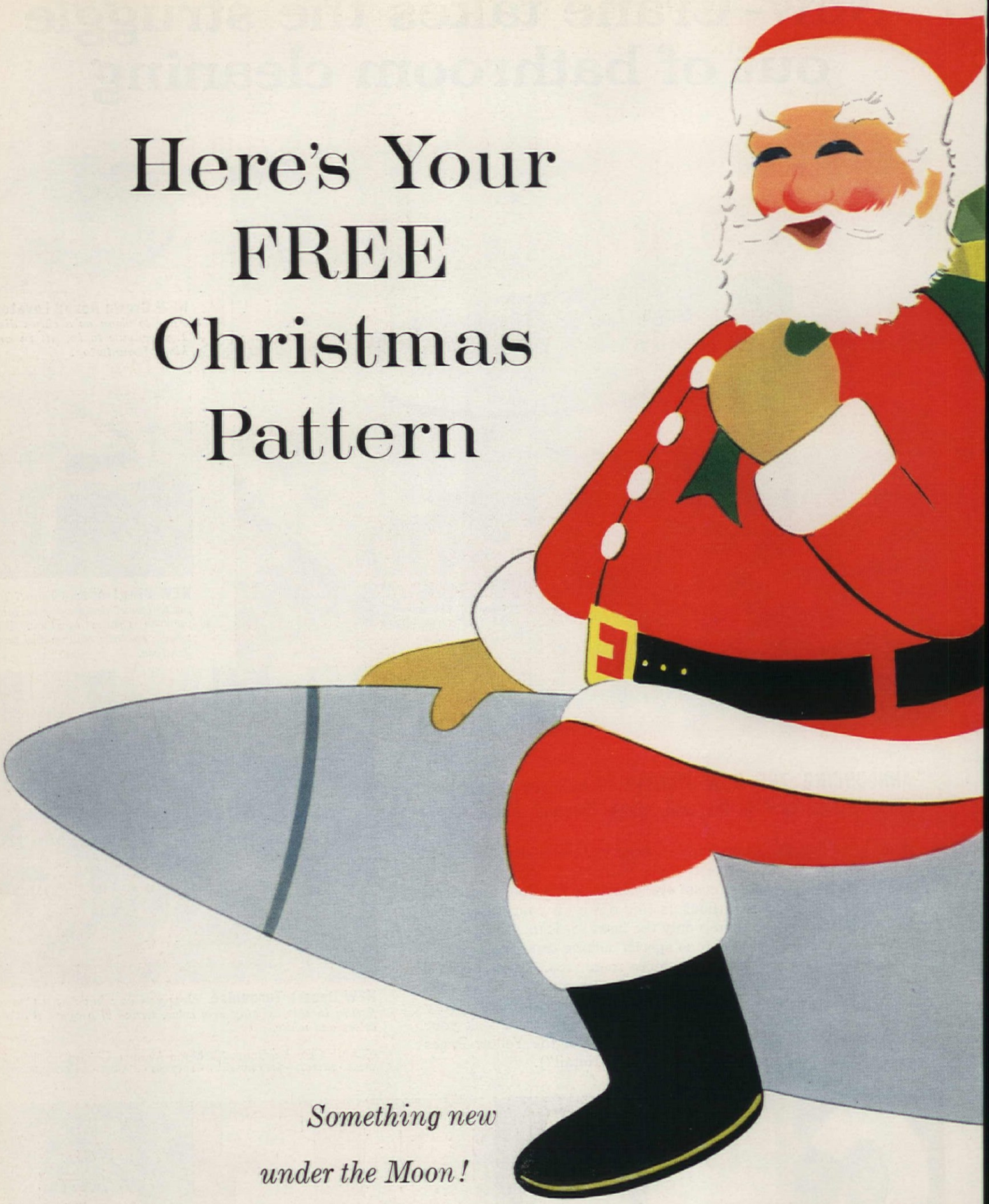
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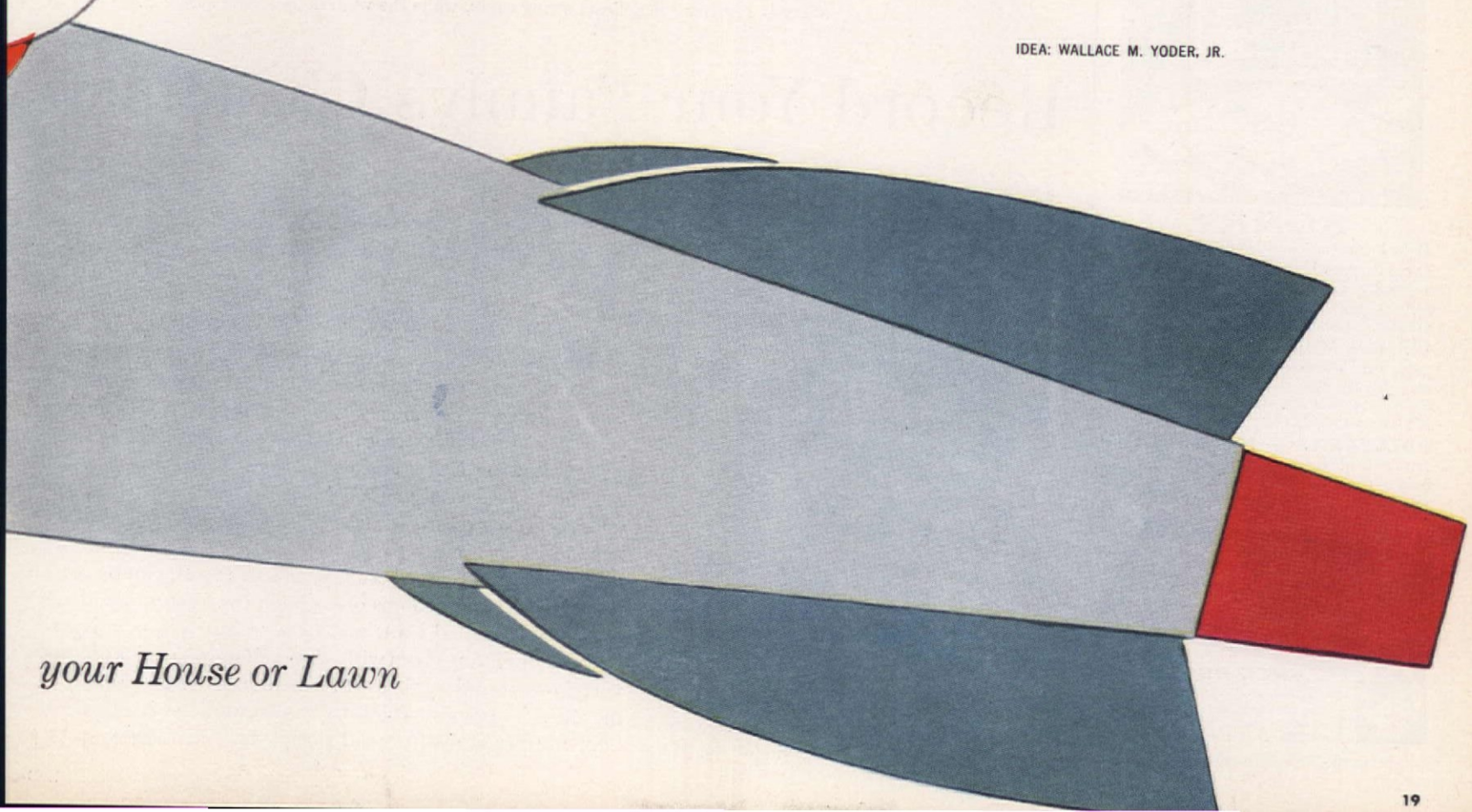
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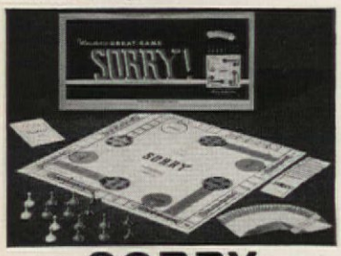
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# Record Your Family's Christmas



**RECORDING "COOL" NOTES** in a soundproof basement, these teen-agers control the tones with a low center mike and separate meters.

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By following a few basic tips, home recording can be easy and wonderfully entertaining. Of first importance is your recording room—the perfect specifications measuring 20x20 feet with a 10- to 20-foot ceiling of acoustic tile to absorb the sound. But actually, any size room can be converted; recreation rooms often have the "sound-deadening" pine-panelled walls and heavy draperies, or a long, rectangular living room with a low ceiling also quickly converts into a sound studio by drawing the drapes and blanketing the door openings and the bay window—with an ideal floor muffler of wall-to-wall carpeting. (continued on page 85)

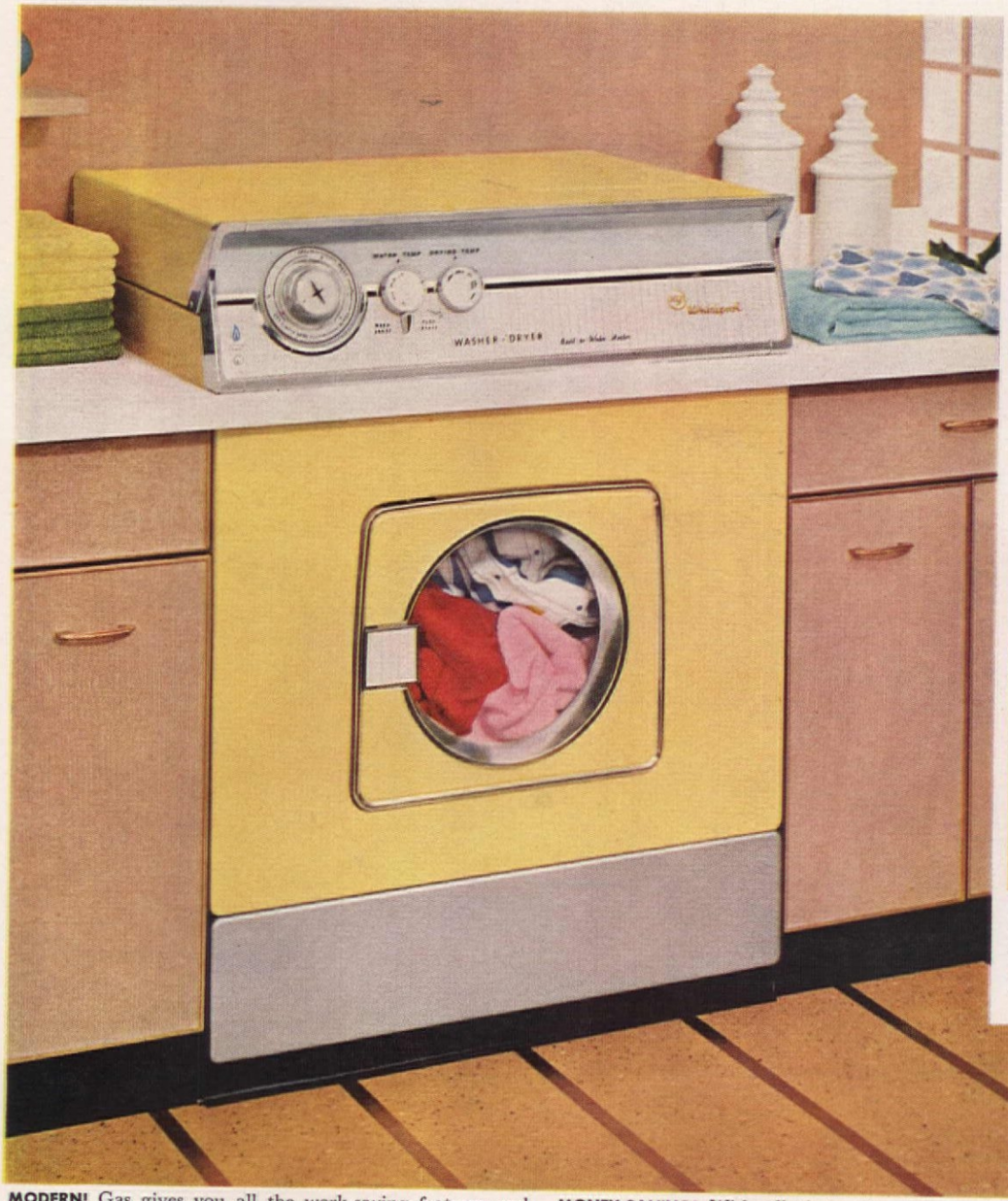
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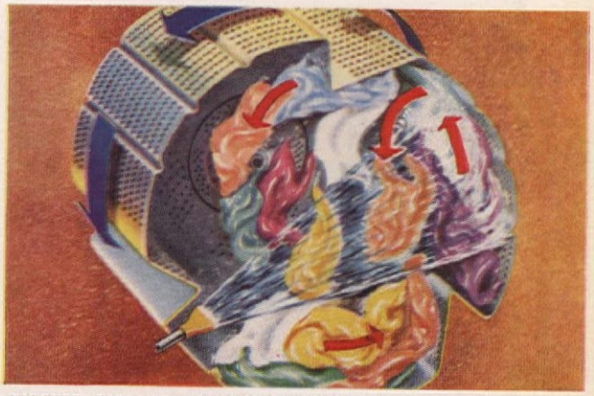
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# Shirley Temple tells a Christmas Story

I suppose every family has its favorite Christmas story. All over our land on Christmas Eve cozy family groups will gather to read Dickens' "Christmas Carol" and "'Twas the Night Before Christmas" and other private pets. But this Christmas I know which story will fill Charlie's and my hearts as we cuddle our three little "angels" close. It's a story about a story . . . a story about the most important story I've told in all my life.

Maybe our story doesn't have a Christmas-y setting—sparkling Lake Tahoe on a bright August day. But it's filled with the meaning of Christmas. Especially at Christmas, as we bask in the wonder and blessedness of being together—Big Charlie, little Charlie, Lori, Susan and me—we will remember how narrowly we escaped being brushed by tragedy.

Every summer for the past few years, we have made an annual trek to Lake Tahoe during Charlie's two-week vacation. I don't know why. I don't know why anybody in California goes anywhere for a summer vacation. Here at home we have the Pacific Ocean at our doorstep, a treehouse, and a regulation camping tent set up in nether regions by the back fence. All day, every day, a long file of small fry spin like dervishes through the yard, each one on a noisy, special mission, up and down the tree trunks, and popping in and out of the bushes like a big family of quail. If variety, a regular swarm of friends (and foes) and ideal weather are the objectives, we have it.

But sure enough, starting about New Year's Day every year, the children begin to clamor. "But Mom, there's no crayfish fishing in our yard!" "But this isn't the Lake, Mom!" (Or as Lori would say, "This isn't the Yake!")

So off we go, in our station wagon top-heavy with two roof luggage carriers, canvas water bottles draped from the door handles, cameras, fishing poles, and all five of us stacked inside like warm sardines, Californian at that. (At least we've outgrown the folded playpen on the back and the baby buggy on the front!)

Lake Tahoe is nestled in the high Sierras, a mile high, half in California and half in Nevada. Mark Twain called it the "lake in the sky." Its shimmering beauty is irresistible—especially to my husband. So one (continued)

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sunny August morning we all scrambled into our rented skiff, box lunches, fishing lines, and all, headed for a picnic beach five miles distant. The lake was like the proverbial millpond, etched here and there with the wake of a water skier. My husband cranked up the outboard, we all took our places, and the little boat cut quickly and smoothly across the water.

Now Lake Tahoe is about 15 miles long and 5 across. Most of the California shore line is speckled with homes, campgrounds and resort areas, but the Nevada side remains generally primitive and uncluttered. For miles along our way, we passed no houses whatsoever, nor saw a living being. Merely the upthrust peaks of the Sierras, still capped in midsummer with a mantle of snow, and the steep foreshore clad in thick forests of tamarack, pine and spruce.

"Where's the beach, Mommy?" inquired Lori every few minutes. Indeed, there was none to be seen. Merely a giant rubble of boulders where the inhospitable mountainside plunged into the lake.

Our course roughly followed the shore line, which is heavily indented with open bays. Between headlands we were quite far from shore, and seemed very far out on the lake.

"Look, that boat is flying," shouted Susan.

Far across toward California, a speedboat was moving in slow motion. From that distance, it appeared to be elevated from the lake and actually flying along above it. The optical illusion was perfect.

"It's like a mirage, Suse," I answered, "the same sort of thing that thirsty travelers in the Sahara Desert often see. A trick of imagination and optical illusion."

"How close can you have a . . . optical illusion?" asked Charlie. "I'm thirsty!" said Susan.

We opened a bottle of soft drink and passed it around while I thought out the answer to that one.

In the stern sat my husband, shirtless, shoeless, looking *very* pleased with his role of helmsman. This is no surprise. As a downy-faced kid, he started sailing knockabouts on Long Island Sound, before the war raced a 31-foot yawl to Honolulu and back, and for four years during the war, chased the enemy as skipper of a motor torpedo boat. Like the proverbial sailor's holiday, he mustered out of the Navy, and promptly set sail again—this time on a 5000-mile trip to Tahiti in a 60-foot schooner. Though it is certainly a long way from such substantial vessels on the open sea to a small lake skiff, our daddy smiled happily forward to us, and turned to make some adjustments on the little engine.

We had gone about halfway toward the lonely little beach which was our destination, when I noticed that the color of the water far out on the lake had changed. Instead of the calm gray line that characterizes water at a distance, it was quite blue, a deep rich blue. Captain Charlie had noticed this subtle change too.

"There's some wind out there, and I think we'd better turn around."

Despite the immediate objections of our three junior crew, who spouted a stream of reasons why we should continue on our picnic, we turned about promptly and started back along our wake. The strip of blue water out on the lake grew steadily larger, and closer, and before long the first catspaws were ruffling the water around us. Through my bare feet, I could feel the little boat meet the ripples. I glanced over my shoulder at Charlie. His face had taken on a businesslike expression, and his voice had overtones of a skipper more than of a daddy.

"Help me shift the gas can forward for a little more ballast, and better check the kids' life preservers."

Now, those of you who are experienced with weather on mountain lakes will not be surprised. On the ocean, the breeze rises slowly, and gives adequate warning of its coming. On Lake Tahoe, the wind curls down without notice, off the peaks. In one short moment, it can lash the lake into a roiling mess of short waves.

Then the wind hit us. And the waves. Five minutes previous our wake had stretched out behind, a single ripple on the motionless water. Now it was lost in the whitecaps which curled against our boat, drenching us in sheets of chill water.

Why not run for the shore? If anything, it looked less hospitable than the water. The waves were now about 3 feet from trough to crest, short and steep, and went boiling into the rocky boulders with a wild spewing of water. Clearly, we could not consider making the shore here. We were at midpoint. About halfway behind was the little beach—slightly closer ahead was the haven from which we had departed.

As the skiff had started to buck into the waves and we all became drenched with the spray, Lori and Charlie had fallen silent, with grave expressions on their little faces. It was Lori's first outing in a boat. There was little I could do to assist my husband at the helm, so I set about to ease the growing apprehension of our little crew members.

This was not easy, as I knew that we were in a touchy situation. The dangers of swamping were obvious, and unless we took each wave with skill, the boat could have been thrown on her beam-ends and overturned. I had

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MAUREEN MILLER

# Christmas is....

Christmas is *Music* . . . the clear call of church bells and the clear young voices of children singing "Silent Night."

Christmas is a brilliance of *Lights* . . . flickering lights of trees, quivering lights of candles, warming lights of hearth-fires, embracing lights of houses spilling over with family and friends. Christmas is the happy light in the eyes of grown-ups once again childlike and the starlight in the eyes of the children.

Christmas is a *Welcome* . . . the garland on the door, the welcome song on the threshold. It's the welcome wreath 'round our hearts. . . .

Christmas is *Laughter* . . . a special kind. We've all heard it . . . the season's laughter. It reaches out, comforts and encompasses us. And Christmas is a smile, a quick smile to the store Santa Claus, to the streetcar conductor, to the shoeshine boy. It is an extra smile to our family. Christmas is a communion of spirit.

Christmas is a hundred different *Fragrances* all rolled into one. The pine boughs and the baking bread and the burning wood and the plum pudding. That's just the beginning. There's the smell of just-waxed floors and newly-polished furniture, the fragrance of dozens and dozens of cookies. Did you ever see so many different kinds of cookies? Christmas is the help of clumsy little hands decorating, then storing cookies in gaily-colored tin boxes.



Christmas is *Giving* . . . the ever-so-many packages . . . to us and from us . . . and the excitement of the mail truck stopping at the front door. There are brown-paper-covered boxes and decorated tiny ones and giant ones and round ones and square ones . . . tinseled and glittering and gold-covered, or just plain white tissue-wrapped presents. And we sit in the middle of a mountain of holly paper and red ribbon and gum stickers and "Do Not Open Until . . ."

Christmas is the importance of *Mail* . . . not only the packages, but the hundreds of cards . . . the cards purchased from the child next door . . . the lists of names and addresses . . . Christmas is the weighted-down mailman . . . the stringing of cards received on a bright red ribbon, or pinning them to the tree or perching them on the mantel. Christmas is a wealth of remembrance carried by a four-cent stamp.

Christmas is *The Tree* . . . a green tree or a pink tree or a white tree or even a pale lavender one. A just-cut pine from a timbered acre or a glittering fir from "the best florist in town" . . . a miniature baby tree or one that brushes the ceiling.

Christmas is *Love* . . . the message carried all through the centuries from the first Christmas gift of a tiny Babe. Christmas is The Birthday revered and celebrated all over the world. Christmas is an expression of love for The Child born that day and love for His way.

Christmas is "*Peace on Earth, Good Will Towards Men. . . .*"



LESLIE R. FORESTER

# It's Christmas wherever you are



**CHRISTMAS AT THEIR CALIFORNIA POOL HOUSE** is enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore K. Sterling and family of West Los Angeles. An excellent cook, Mrs. Sterling has prepared a unique meal of turkey, enchilada pie, cold vegetables and a family favorite, Triple Delight Cake—all handsomely displayed on a gay red tablecloth set with gold dishes, green glassware, and an unusual centerpiece of yellow daisies combined with holly. The sun shining through the inset glass panels of the roof sparkles brilliantly on the bright red berries and silver trimmings of the tree crowned with a top-knot of fresh green ginger blossoms!

Picture if you will a family of towheaded youngsters in a small, snow-covered town in New England. Is their Christmas different than it would be for their towheaded cousins living, let's say, in Southern California? Surely, our little friends in New England get the first peek at Christmas. There they are—wide awake and wide-eyed—long before daybreak. Their California cousins, we trust, still have a few hours to go, conjuring up sugarplums in their heads. And while there are skates and sleds and skis and good warm mittens to be opened in the East, there are pogo sticks and croquet sets and butterfly nets and beach balls to be opened in the West. Is Christmas really different then? Let us be the first to shout a hearty, resounding "NO"! Christmas is Christmas wherever you are! Who—anywhere—can escape the excitement of Christmas shopping, wrapping, and decorating? And who does not feel that Christmas Day is universally a *Family* Day? Whether you celebrate it in California or Connecticut, in Florida or Minnesota, the same wonderful Christmas spirit abounds everywhere.

And now, because the Christmas season is upon us, we'd like to take you on a cross-country tour . . . to show you in words and pictures how America sets the stage for Santa from sea to shining sea. Up in frosty New England you'll find the centuries-old customs that our forefathers brought over from England—the yule log, the caroling, the steaming mince pies and plum puddings. And sophisticated New York City isn't too sophisticated to thrill to the giant tree at Rockefeller Center, the twinkling parade of trees on Park Avenue. Picture the throngs of package-laden shoppers at Macy's and Gimbels . . . the throngs of worshippers at St. Patrick's and St. John the Divine.



**IN EDINA, MINNESOTA, TREE TRIMMING** is as delightful and integral a part of Christmastime as it is in all our forty-nine states. The whole family works busily together as seen here in the Minnesota home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sidenberg.

In Pennsylvania Dutch country, the children string popcorn on the tree and deck it with animal cookies, apples and brightly colored paper. Down in Virginia, there's the Wassail ceremony . . . "there is the clink of glasses and cups; the good old vintages which cheer the heart; and the lord of the manor raises his glass and with a smile on his ruddy face, drinks to the general joy of the whole table."

What a Christmas to remember in Washington, D. C.!—the impressive lighting-of-the-tree by the President, himself. And in pageant-loving Florida . . . imagine Tampa's Bay Shore Boulevard lined with huge (continued)



**A FRAGRANT MANTEL ARRANGEMENT** is made of pine and ilex woven into a chicken wire tree and trimmed with pink carnations (in florist's water picks) to blend in with the angels' skirts. Pieces of yew with berries, sprayed gold and combined with greens, complement the angels' wings and the candle, as shown in the home of Mrs. J. W. Cutler of Westfield, N.J.



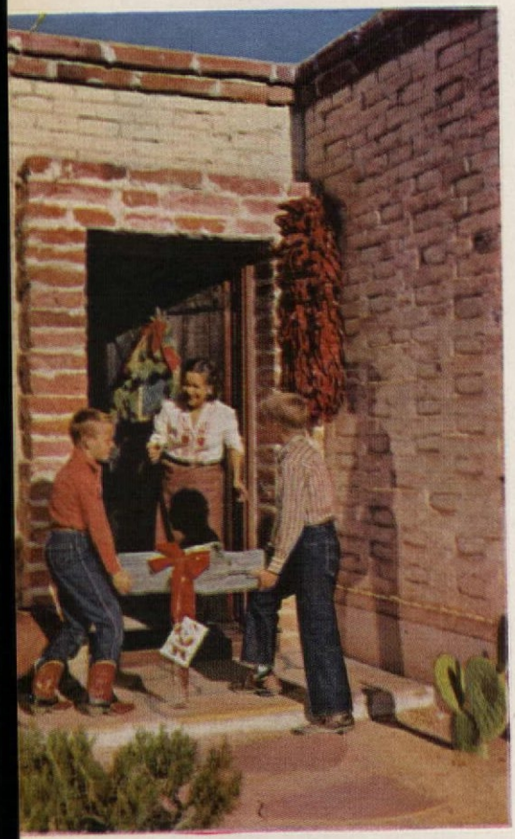
**TINY TIM WREATH** of juniper with red velvet ribbon; Chinese candle rests on two glass ashtrays, lower one inverted.

California information: Martha B. Darbyshire
Southwest information: Louise Price Bell
Florida information: Olive W. Freeman
Flower arrangements: Betty B. Merriam

**For more about Christmas, U.S.A., please turn the page**



**IN HINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS AN OLD REMODELED BARN** is a picturesque setting for a bit of Christmas cheer. The snowy New England countryside is attractively framed by the large picture window, but equally attractive is the roaring fire—a natural gathering place for Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Rhoades and their friends.



**IN THE SUNNY SOUTHWEST IT WOULDN'T** be Christmas in the Arizona home of Mrs. Louise Price Bell without the traditional Yule log delivered by Santa's young helpers.

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reproductions of Christmas celebrations in other lands . . . imagine the big, friendly Christmas cards swinging from every lamppost in Winter Park. . . .

In the Midwest, Christmas means trekking to church in the early, pearly morning . . . then trooping from house to house to sample the delicious home-made cookies and hearty *Stollen*. While, in the Southwest, there's the warm, wonderful tradition of the Yule logs—gathered in the nearby mountains on Christmas Eve. And Pinata parties for the children on the blossom-scented patios!

And on to California where Christmas, like every other occasion, is an outdoor affair. This may be the last holiday before the rains, so get out, everybody!... out to the Sunrise Service at the Hollywood Bowl... out to goody-laden barbecues by the pool.

Does it matter where you celebrate Christmas? Does it matter how you trim your tree, or where the kids hang their stockings, or what treat you leave on the mantel for Santa? No, Christmas is wonderful, wherever you are. Christmas is Christmas, wherever you are. May you have your merriest ever!



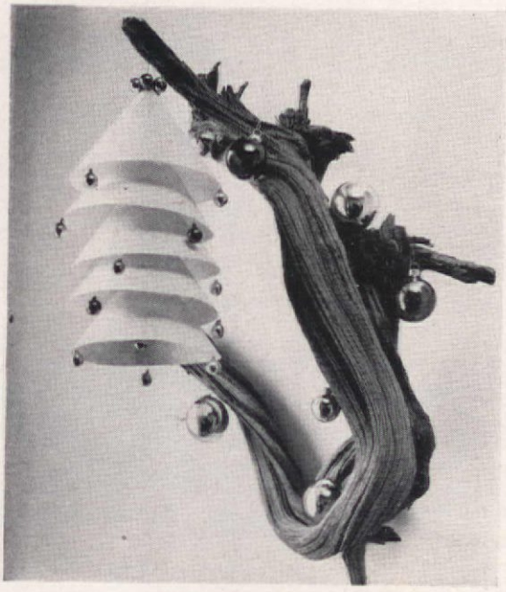
**GLASS HORS D'OEUVRE TRAY** does double duty. When through using it for its beautiful ruby color as a light shield it becomes a serving tray.



**NATIVITY SETTING** with white Hummel figurines and an arrangement of dried magnolia and eucalyptus, sprayed gold. Dried materials held by modeling clay.

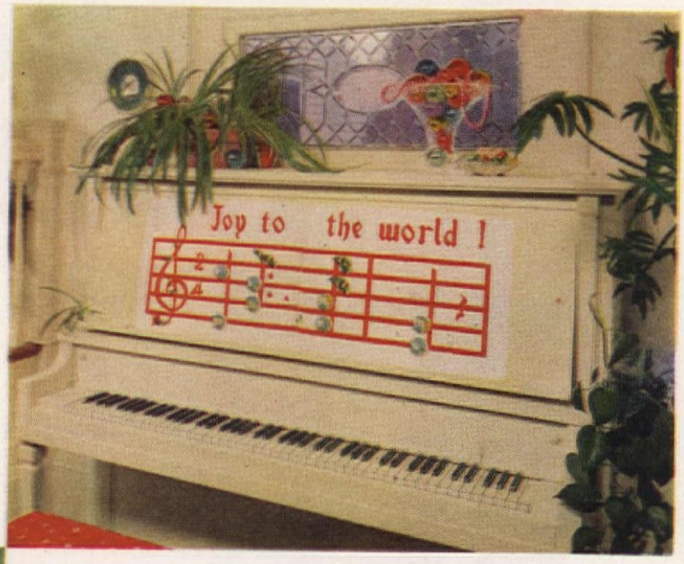
**FROST YOUR WINDOWS** with spray-on snow, but let your tree show through the shaped section of unfrosted glass. To do this cut out a triangular shaped piece of cardboard, tape to glass with cellophane tape and spray. Only costs pennies!





**JUST FOR FUN AND FOR A MODERN** touch, dress up a piece of driftwood with bright Christmas balls and add a white cone tree made from several 2 for 5c paint-strainer cones threaded together and decked with tiny glittery balls.

**COPY THE FIRST BARS** of music needed for the beautiful old Christmas carol, "Joy to the World," on the face of your piano. Use wash-off paint and cement on tiny bright colored Christmas balls for the notes as shown. It's wonderfully effective.

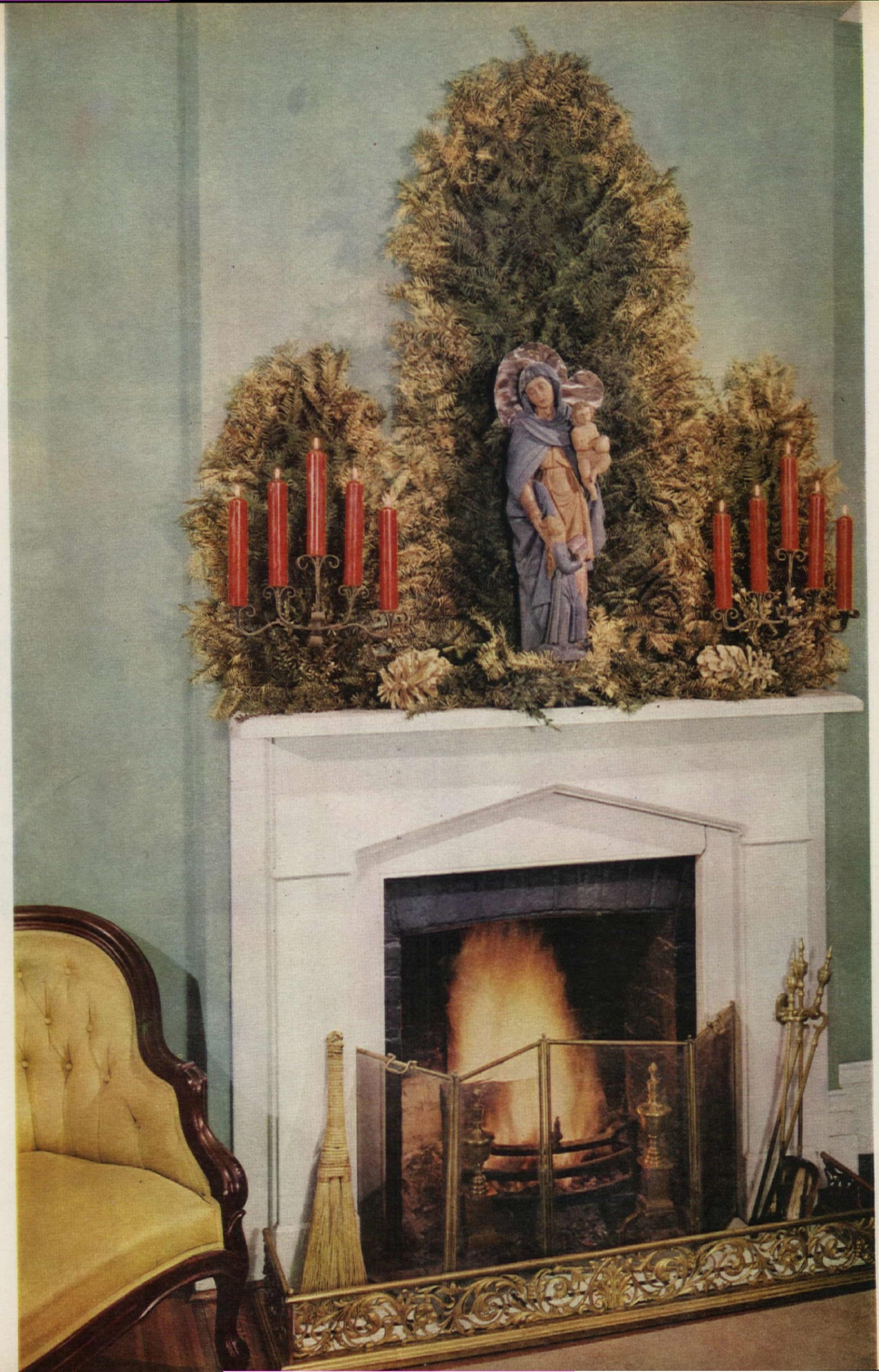


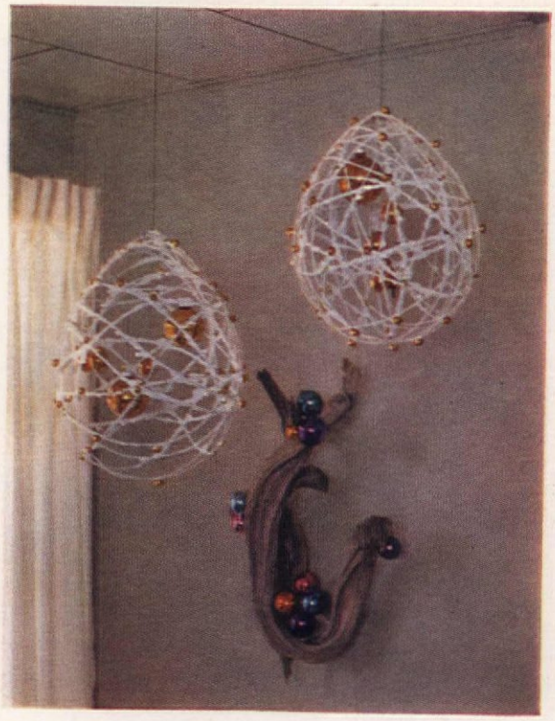



**EVERGREENS AND TINY ITALIAN LIGHTS** subtly enhance the fireplace of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Griffith of Minneapolis and blend in festively with the monocolored walls—an excellent idea for a close-to-the-wall decoration.



**MAKE A FAT WREATH** of evergreens. Then wire a small wind-up type toy railroad track to center of wreath. Wire two sets of wind-up trains on tracks. Add cotton "smoke" to smokestacks.





**FOR BEAUTIFUL FAIRYLAND SPHERES** immerse yarn in a thin spackling-compound mixture. Wind and twist yarn around large inflated balloons. Dry overnight. Add second coat of thicker mixture at each intersection. Imbed small glass ornaments in wet mix. Dry thoroughly. Deflate balloons.



**CHRISTMAS IN ARIZONA MEANS BREAKING THE PINATA** for these young cowboys and Indians in the gaily blooming patio of Nelle A. Fox. Made of crushed paper, this wild-looking bird is filled with tiny sweets which reward only the expert most skilled with a broomstick and a blindfold. Looks like a challenge for any age!

**EXQUISITE OLD-WORLD MADONNA** is part of the Herbert Cutlers' Christmas tradition. Their charming Victorian house is graced with simple fireplaces—a perfect setting for this triptych made of evergreens thrust into heavy-duty wire-mesh frames.



**IN FLORIDA,** where there is never an abundance of snow and the traditional evergreens, folks are more than likely to stretch their imaginations and glorify the foliage indigenous to the area. Here, a palm tree is gaily decorated with Christmas lights.



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**RUSTIC STABLE SCENE** created with a crèche placed on horizontal burl and dramatically silhouetted against a vertical burl background of interesting contour. Straw flowers and juniper, secured by three pin holders and Posey clay, give good color and texture to composition.

# AS  QUIET AS A CHRISTMAS MOUSE

STANLEY SCHULER

When the children are "nestled all snug in their beds" and "not a creature is stirring, not even a mouse," you've no acoustical problem at all. Your house is as hushed and shushed as a cathedral at twilight. But what about when St. Nick arrives? Is your house so "noise-conditioned" that you'd sleep right through all that "clatter on the lawn?"

Most families, when they build or buy, don't stop to consider the problem of noise. They'll measure for closets, but seldom for clatter. They'll check water pressure, but seldom "ear-pressure." Today's houses, unfortunately, can be noisy as all get-out. But you don't *have* to get out of the house you're in to get away from the noise—or put up with noise in the house you're now putting up. Here are a number of steps you can take to silence the din.

## HOW TO CONTROL NOISE FROM OUTSIDE

Much of the noise that bothers us today stems from activities outside the house: noisy neighbors, increased traffic, the children playing in the yard next door.

Your windows are the principal cause of trouble. When open in the summer, they admit the full blast of the surrounding furor; and even when closed in winter, they still let in noise.

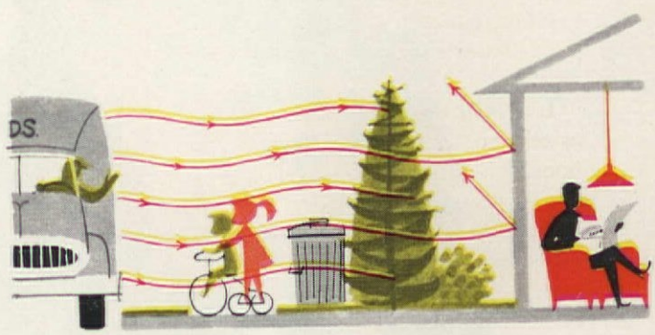
The best answer, then, is to double-glaze all windows the year round. (An air-conditioning system will keep the house cool in summer.) Ideally, the panes should be 1½ inches apart, or more.

There are, however, other things you can do to alleviate your noise problem.

Surround your house with thick hedges of small-leaved shrubs interspaced with trees. These tend to break up and disperse the noise from the street and nearby houses. Even more effective is a solid wall or fence built either close to the lot line or to the house (not halfway between). This bounces the noise back toward its source. (But don't forget that it will also bounce noise made inside the wall toward the house—a consideration if you have children.)

If you build on a slope, locate the house on the side away from the street.

Put your living areas in the back of the house. Let the kitchen, laundry, utility room and playroom act as a buffer between the street and the rooms where you relax and sleep.

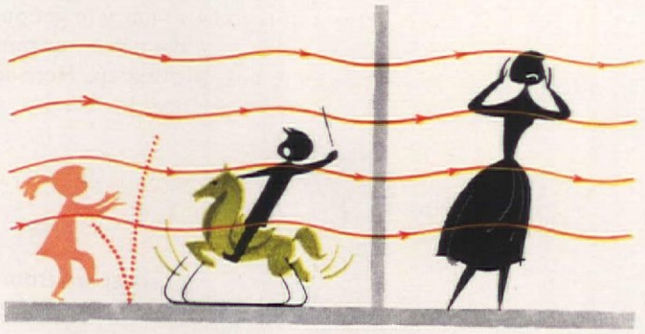


## HOW TO CONTROL NOISE BETWEEN ROOMS

In today's lightly constructed houses, the noise that is transmitted from one room to another usually causes the

greatest annoyance. Such noise falls into two categories: *air-borne sound*, which travels through cracks, heating ducts, floor and wall cavities and directly through walls, floors and doors; and *impact sound*, which is transmitted through the floor or wall when a blow is struck. Here's how to cope with them both:

Walls in new houses. One widely held misconception is that acoustical tile will solve all noise problems. It won't. The way to stop noise transmission through walls (or



floors) is to build them of heavy, inert materials and, if possible, to provide complete separation between the exterior surfaces.

One of the most "soundproof" walls is a three-layer affair built on two rows of 2x2-inch staggered studs. Between the rows is a loose layer of ½-inch insulating boards lapped 6 inches. The outer surfaces of the studs are covered with ½-inch insulating lath and ½-inch plaster.

This wall is so efficient that it will almost completely obliterate average household noises. But since it's expensive and because it's rarely essential to stop sound entirely, you will probably be just as well off with one of the following types (listed in descending order of efficiency):

Wall covered with metal lath and plaster on both sides. The lath is attached to ¾-inch metal C channels spaced so that the wall is 4 inches thick.... Or a wall made of 2x4 studs covered on both sides with gypsum lath and plaster. The lath is attached with resilient clips.

Four-inch-thick reinforced concrete wall. . . . Or a wall made of 2x4 studs covered on both sides with gypsum lath and plaster. The studs are staggered so that each one touches only one wall surface.

Wall made of 2x4 studs covered on both sides with ½-inch insulating board and ½-inch gypsum plaster.

Glass block.

2x4 studs covered on both sides with gypsum lath and plaster.

It should be noted that the last wall is only about 60% as efficient as the first. Nevertheless, it will reduce most household noises to the level of a loud whisper.

Walls in old houses. Short of completely rebuilding walls in the manner described above, the best way to soundproof an old wall is simply to add to its thickness. Place loose (don't nail) ½-inch insulating board against one side of the old wall. Then, next to loose boards, nail a framework of 2x2-inch studs (fastened to ceiling and floor) and cover them with ½-inch insulating board or gypsum lath and ½-inch gypsum board or plaster.

Banks of closets are often prescribed as a sound barrier, but they are not overly effective unless built of heavy materials.

Floors in new houses. The passage of air-borne sounds through a floor can be stopped very satisfactorily by applying a standard subfloor and wood finish floor on top of the joists and covering the bottom of the joists with ½-inch insulating lath and ½-inch plaster. This should also muffle most impact sounds—especially if the floor is carpeted.

Floors in old houses. Let's suppose that, when you're sitting in a downstairs room, you can readily hear people talking upstairs. (Or perhaps people upstairs can hear you talking downstairs.) The easiest way to stop this air-borne sound is to add to the thickness of the ceiling under the floor. The simplest way to do this is to nail 1x3-inch furring strips to the ceiling and cover them with ½-inch insulating lath and ½-inch gypsum board.

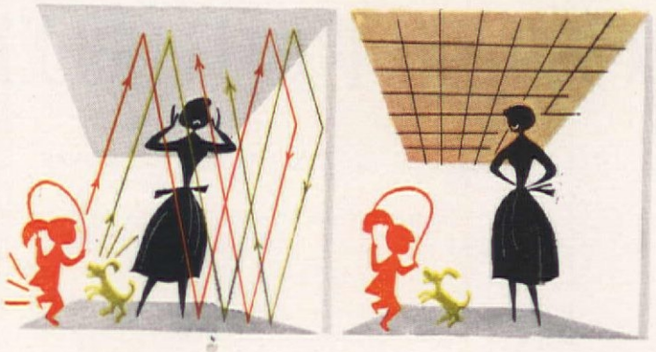
Let's suppose, however, that the noise which bothers you most when you're sitting downstairs is the clump-clump of people walking around upstairs. What you need to do in this case is rip up the finish floor upstairs and cover the subfloor with blanket or ½-inch board insulation. Then lay 2x2-inch sleepers (held in place with resilient clips) and reapply the finish floor.

Doors leak more sound than most people suspect, and it's usually because they are not properly fitted in their frames. But there's an inexpensive cure: Nail felt or rubber weather stripping to the sides and top of the frame so that it presses firmly against the door. Install a threshold with a built-in plastic or felt weather strip under the door.

If this doesn't stop the noise, the door itself is to blame. Thin, recessed-panel doors are particularly bad actors. The only thing you can do is to replace them with solid-core flush doors.

## HOW TO CONTROL NOISE WITHIN A ROOM

All of us have been in rooms which reverberated with noise. They're not pleasant. In most cases, the trouble stems from the fact that there is too much hard-surfaced wall, floor and ceiling surface. When a sound wave strikes



one of these surfaces, it bounces back into the room, hits another surface, bounces back into the room, ad infinitum. The result is bedlam.

But this, fortunately, is a bedlam that is easy to still. All you have to do is install in the room some soft, porous surfaces that will absorb the sound. Rugs, draperies and upholstered furniture will do the trick partially. But the best and least expensive solution is to cover the ceiling and perhaps part of the walls with acoustical material.

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# DON'T FORGET TO WRAP THE

ROBERT W. HOUSEMAN • MARY E. MONZE

Are we being facetious? Not at all. We're as straight-faced as Santa's lead reindeer. This Christmas we're all for the gift that will last and last—the gift that will enhance your home and enchant your family for many Christmases to come.

So, consider that swimming pool. If you are dead set on having a body of water to dunk in come spring, why not start enjoying it right now by presenting the family with a miniature replica of the one you plan to install? To us, this is the epitome of practicality.

And we are equally serious when we say that a washing machine for Mom and a power mower for Dad may not be the most glamorous of gifts. But consider them for what they are: mighty useful and pretty wonderful to have around the house.

To start you off on some wonderful Christmas ideas take a look at our family picture above. If your plans for the family room call for a fireplace, why not give the price of one . . . and the accessories to dress it up? Or why not a dinette set to complete the family-room furnishings, or new china for the table; or a gift certificate that entitles bearer to brand-new flooring or a rug on top of it? Why not a television set for when you're not watching the fire; or even kitchen cabinets for beautiful storage space? Why not a comfortable chair or a sectional covered in vinyl fabric that will take years of lounging; or a sturdy coffee table within arm's reach? Why not electrical appliances galore . . . to the tune of radios, toasters, blenders, coffee-makers, grills, blankets, clocks, irons, floor polishers, and frying pans? The shopping list can go on and on and on. Every item is a happy Christmas thought, designed to give a lot of post-holiday pleasure.

# SWIMMING POOL



**LUCKY DAD** gets a polisher-scrubber to make his floors a thing of shining beauty without making a wreck out of him!



**LUCKY MOM** gets an automatic frying pan that she'll bless all year—probably starting Christmas morning!



**LUCKY BOYS** could jump out of their skins, seeing a replica of the swimming pool they'll jump into all next summer!

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# Merrie, Merrie Christmas





JEAN AUSTIN

## Good Victuals

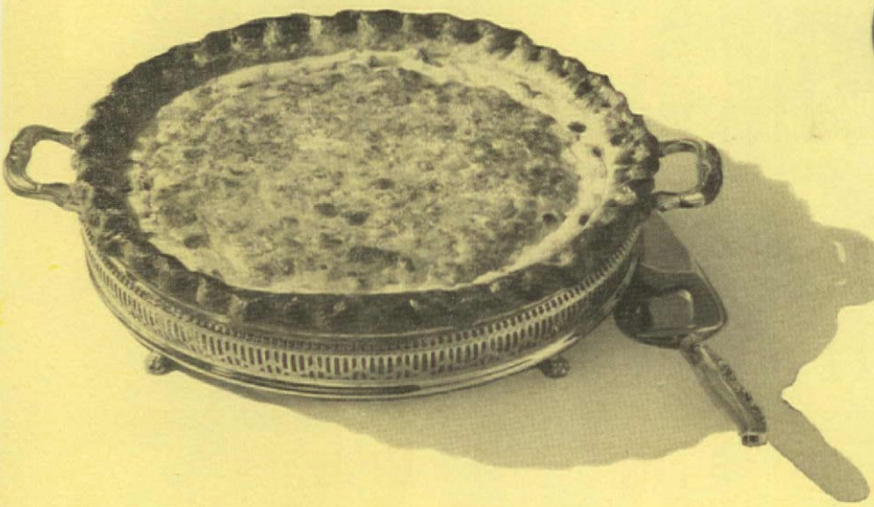
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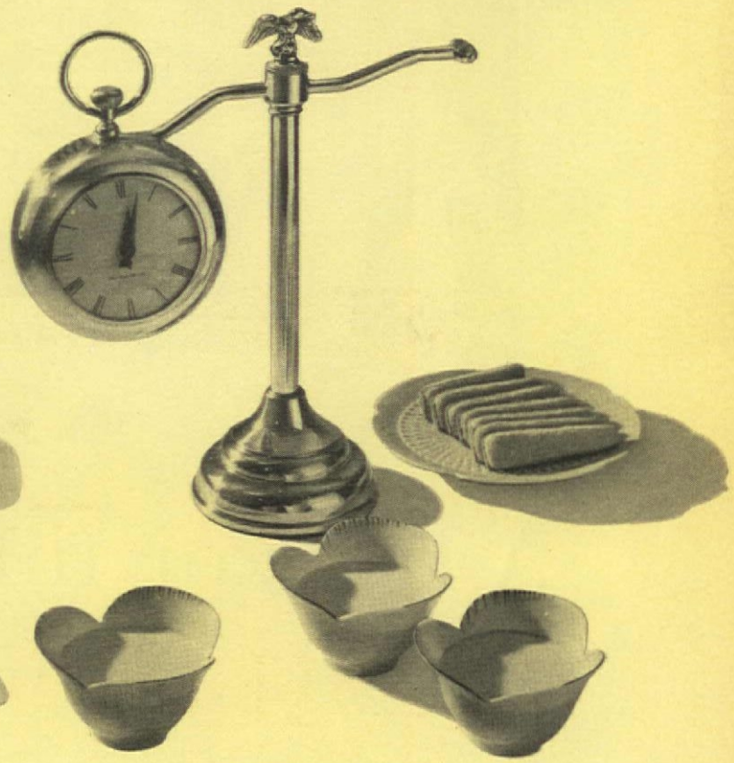
How the heart does rise and swell at this season of seasons, the season of bounty when all things overflow—presents spilling out from under the tree, good cheer burbling out of the shimmering, seemingly bottomless punch bowl, good will flowing everywhere as we eagerly draw visitors out of the cold and into the warm embrace of our homes—and Good (we *do* mean superlatively good) Victuals whispering their pungent, passionate aromas through the house. Now will the knowing hostess dazzle and delight—not with an exhaustingly exotic array but with one or two completely wonderful *spécialités*. What time for Spartan calorie-counting when on the festive board reposes a heavenly Mull of subtly flavored shrimps-of-the-sea heaped on a snowy hillock of rice? Let the barren-of-heart lift a restraining finger when Alsatian onion tart is proffered, the delicate crust proudly cradling its precious burden of pampered baby onions. When, if not now, does the occasion call for a really distinguished soup—my choice a well-endowed almond soup, served chilled and ceremoniously with tiny biscuits. And from Bordeaux, a tradition dating back to the Romans—the noble Galette des Rois, a cake fit for Three Kings—royally complemented with a well-chilled Bordeaux sauterne or Barsac. The banquet begins! Merrie feasting, merrie Christmas!

*A Christmas Ball would be delightful, of course.*

*But if, like most of us, you cannot give a ball or the pomp and ceremony of bringing in the Boar's Head is not feasible either, build a tradition around one superb spécialité and serve it forth throughout the holidays.*









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# A freezer full of Christmas

## ...a Christmas full of fun

VIRGINIA E. THABET

*"The fire, with well-dried logs supplied, went roaring up the chimney wide; then came the merry masquers in, and carols roared with blithesome din."* And bring on the mirth and song! . . . for the larder is full and there is *time* to be merry. Time now, during the hustle and bustle, because all the Christmas food was stashed away a long month ago, in merry anticipation of the holidays. And Christmas, this long month before, really began in the kitchen . . . where spicy fruit molds, yeasty breads, sprightly ices, zesty sauces, stately turkeys, frosty grapes and a host of goodies all found their way into a chilly freezer nook to await the Grand Season! All the excitement of wrapping gay packages, hanging tinkling bells and mistletoe, trimming the tree . . . all these fun things are even more fun, for now there is time for last-minute gaiety. The freezer is standing by, full and ready! If you own a freezer (and if you don't, we hope Santa brings you one) we beg you . . . start your Christmas cooking early and freeze these sumptuous feasts. Cooking in advance doesn't take the edge off the cooking fun during the holidays, but merely takes the pressure off. Won't you turn to pages 56 and 71 and set your eyes on some top-notch ideas for organizing your Christmas freezer? Work them into your holiday fun too! And be sure to take a second and third look at our food and recipe pages, for they, too, are overflowing with foods that freeze well. Freeze ye well and Merry Christmas!

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# Festive idea:
# MAKE ONE GREAT DISH YOUR SPECIALTY

Famous hostesses will tell you: settle on one great party dish. Serve it with flair. Be *known* for it. And it's so simple – with Campbell's Soups. Pre-seasoned to perfection, they're practically fail-proof sauces or blenders. Wonderful soup will make any of these specialties – or your own – the talk of the party!






**BEEF ROLL-UPS.** *The secret: Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup with sour cream!* Pound 2-lb. round steak (½ in. thick); cut into 8 pieces. Prepare 2 cups packaged stuffing mix; place spoonful on each piece; roll up, fasten with toothpicks. Brown well in 2 tbsp. shortening; add 1 can Cream of Mushroom Soup, ½ cup water. Cover, simmer about 1½ hrs. or till meat is tender, basting occasionally. Stir ½ cup sour cream into sauce just before serving. 6 servings.











**SPAGHETTI AMORE.** *Two Campbell's Soups make this terrific!* Lightly brown 1 lb. ground beef, ½ cup chopped onion, ¼ cup green pepper in 2 tbsp. shortening; stir occasionally. Add 1 can each Cream of Mushroom and Tomato Soups, 1 soup can water, 1 minced garlic clove; heat. Blend with ½ cup shredded sharp process cheese and ½ lb. spaghetti (cooked, drained) in 3-qt. casserole; top with ½ cup more cheese. Bake at 350°F. about 30 min. or till bubbly. 6 servings.




**SEAFOOD CONTINENTAL.** *Campbell's Cream of Celery Soup is simply heavenly with seafood!* Blend 2 cans Cream of Celery Soup, ½ cup water and 2 tbsp. dry white wine (optional). Add 4 cups cooked seafood (flaked whitefish, crab, lobster, shrimp or any combination of these), 1 cup shredded mild process cheese and 2 tbsp. minced parsley. Pour into shallow baking dish, top with buttered crumbs. Bake at 400°F. about 20 min. or till the sauce starts bubbling. 6 servings.

Good cooks cook  with *Campbell's Soups*

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# This year bake your gifts!







**Bake Wonderland Cookies**—Gay holiday cookies—stars, magic rings, Christmas tree balls—made with GOLD MEDAL "Kitchen-tested" Flour (the recipe's in your Holiday Almanac). Hang them from your tree! Pile them up for an exciting dessert centerpiece!




**Bake Christmas Coffee Cake**
Festive, fragrant holiday cake, bright with candied cherries. Bisquick makes it extra-nice—and easy—to bake this traditional Christmas treat. Just follow the recipe for Holiday Tea Ring in your Holiday Almanac.




**Bake a Mystery Fruitcake**—You bake the cake . . . then add the fruit . . . with frosting as a liquid. Crazy? Maybe—but it comes out rich, moist, perfect with Betty Crocker Honey Spice Cake Mix. You'll find the recipe for this luscious Mystery Fruitcake in the Holiday Almanac.

# Bake a cookie gift



### Salted Nut Brownies for the postman

Follow directions for Fudgy Brownies on Betty Crocker Brownie Mix pkg., except omit nuts. Before baking, top batter with 48 salted nuts in uniform rows. After baking, cut into 48 squares.

### Nutmeg Date Bars for your neighbors

Follow directions on Betty Crocker Date Bar Mix pkg., except add ½ tsp. nutmeg to date filling before spreading over crumbly mixture. Wrap in a pretty basket for holiday neighbor calls.



# Bake a muffin gift



### Orange Nut Loaves for your favorite friends

Moist, old-fashioned good nut loaf, bright with bits of orange peel. Easy directions for making orange nut loaf are right on the Betty Crocker Orange Muffin Mix package.

### Blueberry Nut Rounds for the milkman

Follow directions on Betty Crocker Blueberry Muffin Mix pkg., except add ½ cup chopped nuts with dry mix. Pour batter into 5 greased 6-oz. frozen-juice cans. Bake 30 to 35 min. at 375°. Cool. Ease round out with spatula.



# Bake a glamour gift



### Nut Meringue Kisses for the teacher

Delicate, melt-in-your-mouth cookies. Follow directions on Betty Crocker Meringue Mix package for Kisses, fold in ½ cup chopped nuts, tint part of the batter pink, part green.

### Hidden Treasure Pastries for a take-along gift

Pat teaspoons of Betty Crocker Instant Pie Crust Mix pastry in thin rounds and wrap around maraschino cherries (drained well), or pineapple chunks. Seal well. Bake 10 to 15 minutes at 450°. Roll in confectioners' sugar.



## Here are some of Betty Crocker's special favorites from the pages of the Holiday Almanac:



Wonderland Cookie Tree



Christmas Tree Cakes



Gingerbread Santas



The Candy-Cane Corner

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**PAULA, GERRY, JODY AND GINGER AYERS** prepare for Santa's visit as their father looks on.

# This is the month for

We suggest that those generous portions of meat still clinging to the breast bone and second joints be made into TURKEY TIMBALES (below), in two or four portion size for freezing and future eating long after the holidays.





WELSH RAREBIT (right) is easy, lovely, an oddly distinguished dish and a welcome relief from the festive holiday bird. It takes readily to freezing or refrigerator storage. Guests can help themselves from the chafing dish.

FOR THESE RECIPES, SEE PAGES 66, 67, 68

Any heart that is in the right place will just naturally overflow with hospitality at Christmastime. And the house will overflow with your biggest "family" of the year—friends, relatives and neighbors of all ages. So let's not rhapsodize on the Christmas-dinner theme. For this gala feast is only one of the many, many culinary challenges of the long holiday season. There are mouths and more mouths to be fed. You never know when someone will drop in—your sister and her husband (the one with the "bottomless pit"), a neighbor whose goodies you've feasted on the day before, a merry group of friends who come in groaning they "never want to *look* at a turkey again."

Naturally you want to play the bountiful hostess. But to swing all of this Christmas entertaining and have fun with your guests, too, calls for organization of the first order. We're always talking about organization, it seems, but this time of the year does provide the supreme test of your abilities along this line. Even though a cold turkey sandwich with homemade mayonnaise is part of the holiday ritual—and don't miss our recipe for Turkey Timbales—even turkey can become boring (we've just been through this at Thanksgiving!). Liven your feasting with other dishes. But most of all, have fun! Plan ahead, cook ahead. On days when you feel like cooking, cook double or triple your usual amounts—file the surplus in your freezer, all set to go.



A freezer full of good BARBECUE SAUCE (above) is always an ace in the hole and gives a variety to holiday fare. Use it on the leftovers from the turkey, if you like.

# Family Food



MINCEMEAT PIE ALASKA (below) can be served at any time during the holidays. It's a bit different from the traditional old mince or pumpkin routine. A natural for the freezer, too.



HOLIDAY BRAIDED BREAD (above) or a Stollen for breakfast on Christmas morning has long been a tradition in many families. On Christmas morning the buttered bread is savored with cup after cup of steaming coffee.

*Table accessories on all food pages by*
***GERTRUDE BRASSARD***

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JUNE M. TOWNE



# Take a package of pie-crust mix



Maybe you're the champion pie maker in your circle. Congratulations! But don't lounge on your laurels—grab your rolling pin and explore the exciting possibilities of pie crust in appetizers and hors d'oeuvres, in the main dish and unusual desserts. Or maybe you're a pastry "greenhorn." Lucky you are with today's packaged mixes. All the guesswork is gone. You're a "pro" with the very first crust you roll. (But, please, *do* read the directions on the box!)



**AS AN APPETIZER** start with mustard dumplings in consommé. We've dropped them by the teaspoon into the boiling consommé. If you are a fancier of Chinese cuisine transfer this recipe into a mock Egg Drop Soup. Dribble the batter into the broth which has been swirled with a spoon.

**NANCY AND SALLY STURDY** entertain their friends at a tree-trimming party in their Los Angeles home.



**AS A MAIN DISH** we have a recipe for CHEESE CRUSTED VEAL PIE. But the same glamour treatment, with the decorative cutouts of pastry, can be used for any leftover meat, stews, or as we women might say "pot porridge."



**AS A DESSERT,** this tender flaky pastry keeps its freshness with a moist, juicy filling such as our APRICOT PIE IN SPICE CRUST. It is a good old recipe, and you needn't be shy about using a packaged mix. Remember—it is traditional in the modern manner.

**AGAIN AS A DESSERT** and with pastry we suggest BUTTERHORN COOKIES. A favorite when you go to a French restaurant. A delicate filling between flaky "pastry layers." And so very easy.





**AND PIE CRUST FOR HORS D'OEUVRES** in a flaky tender cheese-seasoned pastry which shapes evenly in a jiffy over a ground meat mixture, or bakes into cheese sticks.

**FOR THESE RECIPES, SEE PAGES 69, 70**

Details about table appointments, Shopping Information page 84




# Such delicious raisins make a big success of a simple cake

For fresh, *natural* raisin sweetness, DEL MONTE is your brand! This rich flavor adds such a warm, wonderful touch to all your baking—and DEL MONTE packages protect these clean, plump, tender raisins right to your mixing bowl. No preservatives—no artificial flavoring. You'll eat 'em by the handful, too! Look for DEL MONTE Raisins every time.

RAISIN ORANGE POUND CAKE

¾ cup DEL MONTE Seedless Raisins
2 cups sifted flour
1¼ cups sugar
1½ teasp. baking powder
1 teasp. salt
½ teasp. cream of tartar
½ cup very soft shortening
Grated peel and the juice of 1 small orange, plus water to make ½ cup
2 eggs, unbeaten

Coarsely chop raisins. Sift together next 5 ingredients; add shortening and liquid with peel. Beat 2 min. at medium beater speed or till smooth and fluffy by hand. Add eggs; beat 2 min. Fold in raisins by hand. Pour into a greased 9x5x3-in. loaf pan lined with foil and greased again. Bake in mod. oven (350° F.) 60-65 min. or till done. Remove from pan. Pour over warm cake: ¾ cup sugar dissolved in ¾ cup orange juice, 2 teasp. rum flavoring.

Del Monte® RAISINS


## Freezer Full of Christmas (continued from page 40)

Planning for the holiday season is somewhat like planning for a long trip—the excited anticipation is half the fun. And planning in advance for your holiday meals and entertaining can actually double your enjoyment of this wonderful season in which family ties are strengthened and friendships renewed. So—sit down now with paper and pencil in hand and outline your plans in black and white. Play some Christmas-carol records to put you in a holly-and-mistletoe mood. It helps!

First, list all the family dinners, parties and activities that are traditional in your home. If you're a new homemaker without many traditions plan one or two parties, a tree-trimming fest or extra-special breakfast that you'd like to make a tradition in your new family. After all, traditions have to begin *somewhere*. Then look at all the exciting recipes on our food pages which can be made ahead for the freezer and incorporate them in your menus. Search through some of your old family-favorite holiday recipes. You'll find that many of these freeze beautifully—even though Grandma's "receipts" don't say so. As you well know, some of the traditional holiday recipes require extra preparation time so there's additional need to freeze these foods well in advance of the busy days. Look on page 71 for tips on how to freeze your own recipes.





**SHARE THE WEALTH** by giving frozen-food gifts to neighbors. Coffee cans (above) covered with self-adhesive plastic make festive containers for fudge or cookies. Wrapping adheres to can even at low freezer temperature. Or, combine your own casserole specialty with a kitchen gift (right). Fill casserole, seal lid with freezer tape.

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Make a marketing list for your freezer-cooking sessions and get to the supermarket early in the day to avoid the crowds. Stock up, too, on frozen-food staples . . . juice, vegetables, fruit, ice cream—and don't forget to buy your turkey when turkey prices are low, and tuck it away in the freezer. Check over your freezer packaging supplies and purchase additional ones—you'll find some new containers and foil and saran in convenient sizes on the market. Surely you're not one of those freezer "hoarders," but do look through the freezer to see if there are some things hidden away which should be used *now* to make room for all the goodies you're planning to put in for the Noel season. Reorganize your freezer if (continued on page 71)




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# Your Holiday Cake Can be a Work of Art

## *Mrs. Frances Schipper shows you the fine art of cake decorating*

When Mr. Schipper gave his wife a pastry-tube set for Valentine's Day, he really started something. Soon Frances Schipper's friends were begging her to start a school. The Schipper School of Cake Decorating in Sudbury, Mass. is now 5 years old—and there are more eager applicants than she can handle in her dining-room classroom. Here members meet for 10 weeks, working on a false top laid over the dining-room table. (The sturdy benches are Mr. S's handiwork.)

The first four lessons are given over to instruction and practice in the mastery of the pastry tube. Practice is done on a cookie sheet. Working on a real cake comes with the 5th lesson, when the student uses all her imagination and curlicues. The next 4 lessons are again instruction and exercise. Then comes the final exam . . . the diploma-getting cake!

Each member is given an intricate Schipper design to duplicate. And at a grand-finale exhibit, friends and relatives of these cake-decorating "professionals" flock to view the masterpieces. There's all the excitement and flurry of an art-gallery showing, and as many as 250 awe-struck visitors attend. "It isn't a business—it's a hobby," says Mrs. Schipper—but it's a mighty fascinating business, say we.



**GILDING ADDS** the final professional touch to the home-decorated cakes. Gilt powder, which can be purchased at any art-supply store, when mixed with lemon oil becomes edible. Tip on lightly with a small paintbrush.

*An artist to her finger tips,*
*Mrs. Schipper is a master of*
*design and vibrant color.*
*Imaginative use of frostings*
*makes these cakes outstanding*









**A CORNUCOPIA MADE OF PARCHMENT** makes a good disposable tube for decorating your cakes. And so simple—it's just a square of the paper rolled so that there is a point at the end of a cone.



**CLIP OFF** about one-half inch of the tip and insert a decorating point of the desired size. Fill the tube with frosting and close the upper end by folding several times. Now you're set to go to work.



**FOR CLOCK CAKE** a white-frosting base coat is spread on cake. Smooth with a spatula dipped in hot water. When set—spread yellow frosting around the cake.



**BASE BORDER** is made using white frosting and #16 point for circles. Center dots are formed with #3 point. Clock face is marked off using small bowl or cup before making filigree with pale yellow frosting and #2 points.



**CLOCK FACE** is outlined with black paste frosting, obtainable from bakery-supply store. Use #2 point also for numerals and hands. Apply top border with shell point #16.



**PINE CONE CAKE** has white base coat with a red top layer. Border and shells around base are applied next using a #18 point and white frosting. Pine-needle sprays are formed using very dark green frosting and #2 point.



**CONES** are oval-shaped mounds of white frosting topped with small seed pods formed by using a #80 point. When set they are lightly brushed with a gilt made of bronze gilding powder from an art store and oil of lemon.



**SUGAR CANDLES** are made in cardboard tubes, waxed with paraffin. Each half is filled with sugar dampened with water and red coloring. Invert on small board. Remove from tube and dry out. Use tubes from bouillon cube containers or others of similar size and shape.

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*New for the holidays! A gay variety of fudge ideas!*



# "CAN'T FAIL–5 MINUTE FUDGE"

## The secret is Carnation–the double-rich milk that whips!



FUDGE ROLL: Pour caramel fudge mixture on waxed paper. Shape into roll as fudge cools. Then roll in additional chopped nuts. Slice.




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MINT FUDGE: Pour chocolate fudge (below) into buttered 9-inch squar pan. Decorate with colored mints. Allow to cool and slice into square

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### RECIPE: "CAN'T FAIL–5 MINUTE FUDGE" *(Makes about 2 pounds)*

Mix ⅔ cup (small can) undiluted CARNATION EVAPORATED MILK, 1⅔ cups sugar and ½ teaspoon salt in saucepan over low heat. Heat to boiling, cook 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat.

Add 1½ cups (16 medium) diced marshmallows, 1½ cups BAKER'S chocolate chips or caramel chips, 1 teaspoon vanilla and ½ cup chopped nuts. Stir 1 to 2 minutes, or until marshmallows melt. Pour into buttered 9-inch square pan. Decorate or make into roll as described above. Or spoon into drops on waxed paper.






**MR. THEODORE STERLING** of West Los Angeles, California, supervises the last few turns of the spit while his daughter and son-in-law look on. Yes, Californians like to barbecue and the Christmas turkey is no exception.



*Here are your*

# HOLIDAY RECIPES

*For 18 wonderful recipes please turn the page.*



**THE BEAUTY AND ELEGANCE** of this festive gingerbread church will be a novel delight and a delicious temptation for your holiday season.

Christmas wouldn't be complete without the familiar, mouth-watering sights and smells of gingerbread around the house, nor would you, the artist in the kitchen, be so complimented without this elegant display of handiwork to show off to your family and friends. Our little church shown here looks good enough to eat—and it is!

Take the following ingredients, mix until blended:

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| 1½ cups heavy cream whipped | 1 tbs. ginger |
| 2½ cups brown sugar firmly packed | 1 tsp. lemon extract |
| 1½ cups dark molasses | 2 tbs. baking soda |

Now just add 9 cups of flour to the above blended mixture, making sure the dough is firm, and leave it well covered in the refrigerator overnight. In the meantime, you can cut out the pattern from cardboard as shown on the opposite page. Roll out the pieces of chilled dough on a floured board to ¼" thickness. Place the patterns on top of the dough and cut around them with a knife. (It's easier if the larger pieces are already on a greased baking sheet.) Brush the cut-out pieces with water and then put them in the oven and bake at 250° F. for 30 minutes or until they turn a golden brown, allowing a longer time for the larger pieces. When the sections are baked, compare with the pattern and if necessary, trim with knife. Leave pieces on sheet to cool.

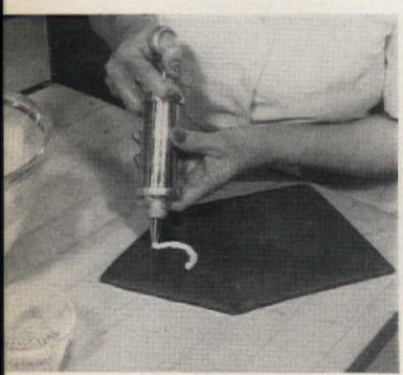
A scale model of the gingerbread patterns with one square equal to one inch

Information: Ulster Garden Club, Kingston, New York

# Make this Delightful Gingerbread Church



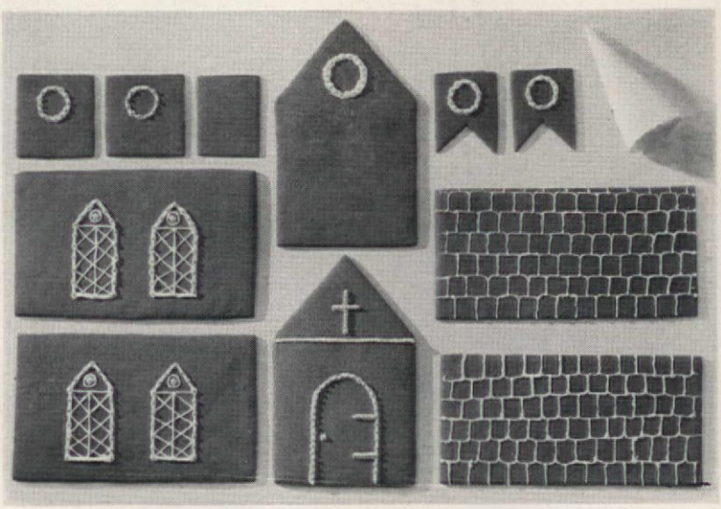
**BUT DON'T FORGET THE SNOW-CAPPED STEEPLE!** Easy to make, the spire is of white paper rolled into a cone shape. Let it snow on the ground, too, with a touch of your frosty icing brightened up with sprigs of greens.



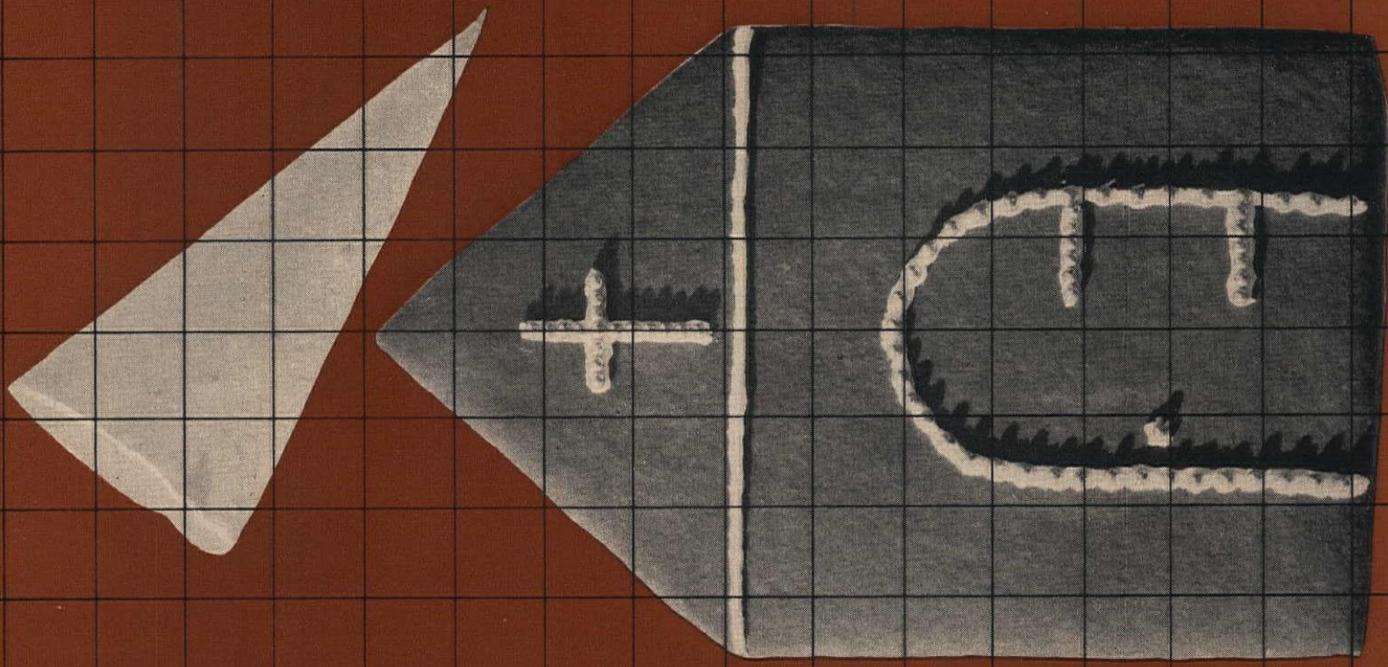


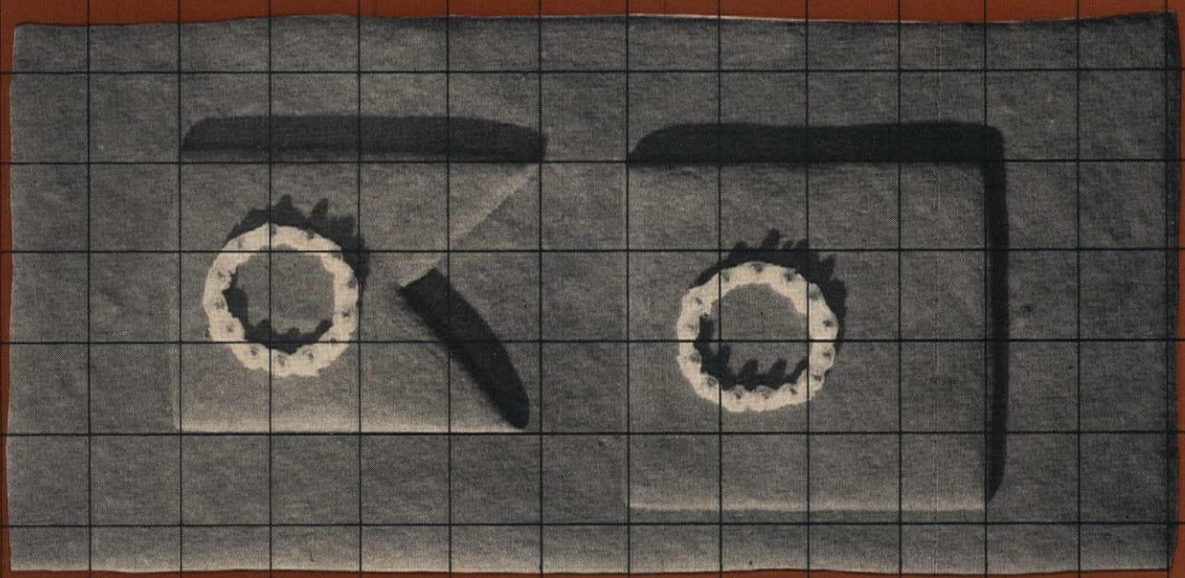


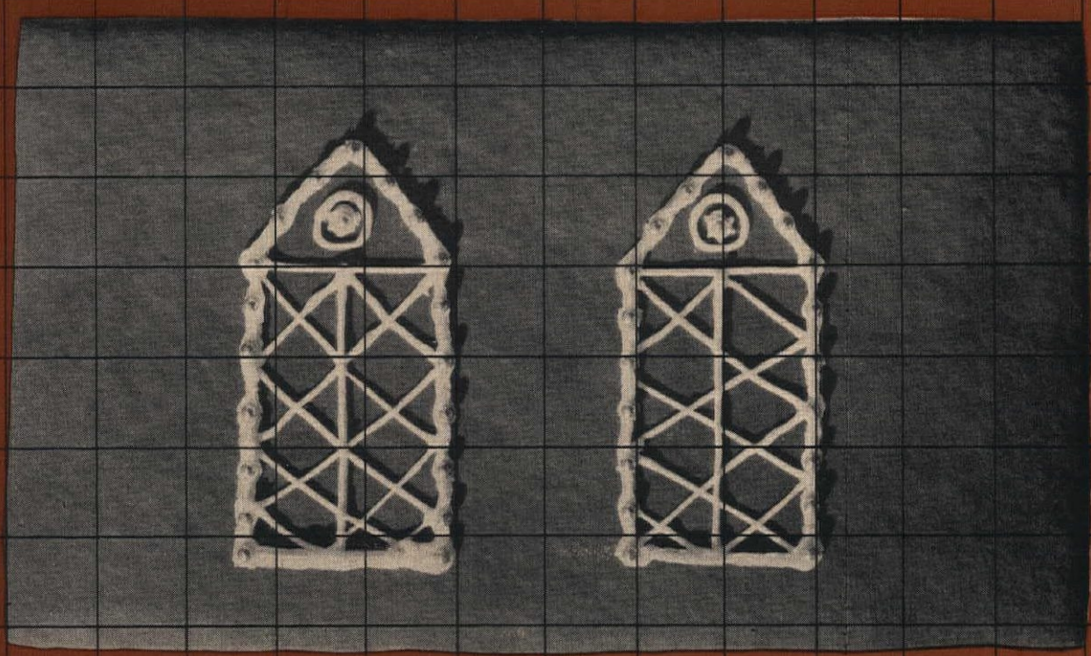
**WHITE ICING** sparkles like snow on your gingerbread pieces. Merely beat together one egg white and two cups of confectioners' sugar and try your skill! Before the icing dries, place silver *dragées* around the door, windows and cross with the help of tweezers. A tip to prevent icing from drying—keep the bowl covered with damp paper toweling.



**A FEW SIMPLE SHAPES** comprise this "gingerbread" blueprint for your convenience. Cut a stiff cardboard 15x10" for the base, and cement the pieces together with the icing.










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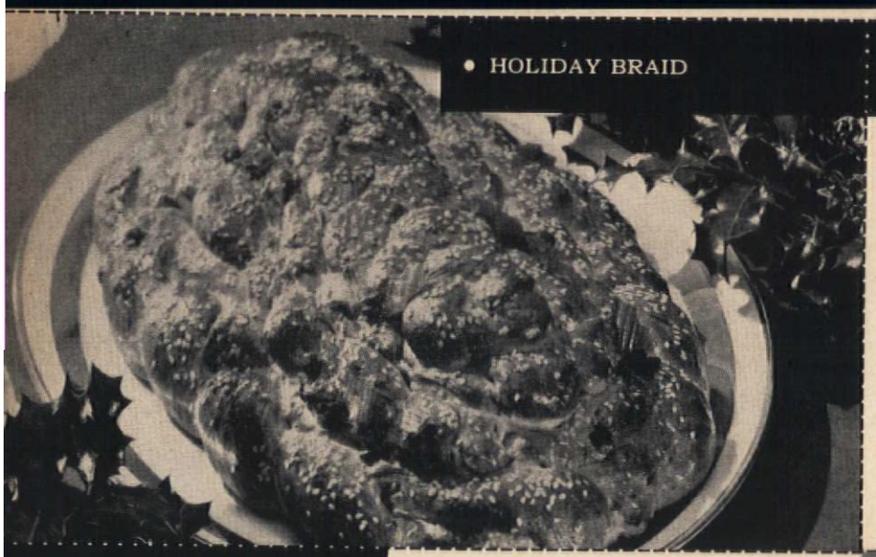
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## • HOLIDAY BRAID

## • CARRÉ DE PORC RÔTI

• Have the butcher bone a 5 lb. center cut loin of pork. Wipe with damp cloth. With knife make slits about 1″ apart on the fatty side. Insert into each slit dry sage leaves. Rub loin with salt. Sprinkle with 1 tsp. ground thyme, one crushed clove of garlic, 2 bay leaves. Pour over ½ cup olive oil. Cover and let marinate for 12 hours. Roast in 350° oven for 2½–3 hrs. Cover the pan for the first hour, then remove the lid. Baste frequently adding water or stock if necessary.

**HOLIDAY BRAID** is formed from two large braids and a filler piece made from the first batch of dough. From the second batch come two medium braids for the middle layer and a small braid for the top of the loaf.



## ALSATIAN ONION TART

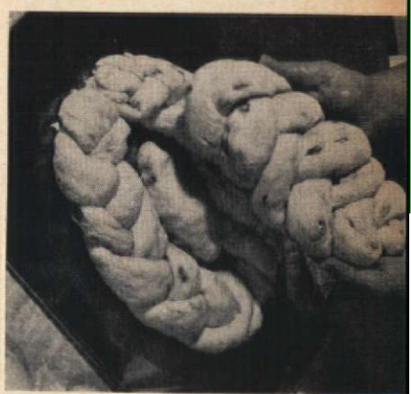
*(Tarte à l'Oignon Alsacienne)*

• Make a rich pie dough for a single crust, 9″ pie. Bake for 20 minutes in 400° oven.

Meanwhile slice enough young onions with some of the green or white onions to make 2 cups. Sauté the onions in 2 heaping tbs. butter until they are soft and pale yellow. Scald 1 cup cream; add 3 well beaten eggs, salt, pepper and the onions. Fill partly baked crust. Sprinkle with 1 slice of bacon cut in tiny squares. Bake for 30 minutes in 400° oven. Serve at once.



## • ALMOND SOUP





## • CAKE OF THE MAGI

## • SHRIMP MULL

*(8-10 servings)*

Into a heavy kettle put:

**2 quarts water**
**2 cans tomatoes**
**1 can condensed tomato soup**
**2 cloves garlic, sliced**
**1 whole lemon, sliced**

• Brown in frying pan 2 cups diced bacon, 2 cups chopped onion, 1 stick of butter. Transfer to pot.

Add:

**1 cup chopped celery**
**1 tsp. celery seed**
**15 drops Tabasco**
**1 bottle tomato catsup**
**2 tbs. Worcestershire**
**¼ tsp. allspice**
**¼ tsp. curry powder**

• Boil for two hours. Add 5 lbs. raw peeled shrimp. Cook gently for 1 hour. Add 1 cup sherry, 1 stick butter. Thicken with small amount of cracker crumbs. Serve with flaky dry rice.

***Recipe courtesy The Deck, Brunswick, Ga.***

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(pictured in color on page 53)

## CAKE OF THE MAGI

½ cup milk
½ cup butter
1 yeast cake softened in ¼ cup lukewarm water
1 egg
2 egg yolks
⅓ cup sugar
Grated rind of 1 lemon
2½ cups flour

• Scald the milk, add the butter and set aside to cool. Meanwhile beat together the eggs, the sugar and the grated lemon rind. When the milk and butter mixture is lukewarm, add the yeast and stir until smooth. Add to this the beaten egg and sugar mixture along with 1½ cups of the flour. Beat for 10 minutes. Add the remaining cup of flour. Mix thoroughly. Let rise until double in bulk. Chill in the refrigerator overnight.

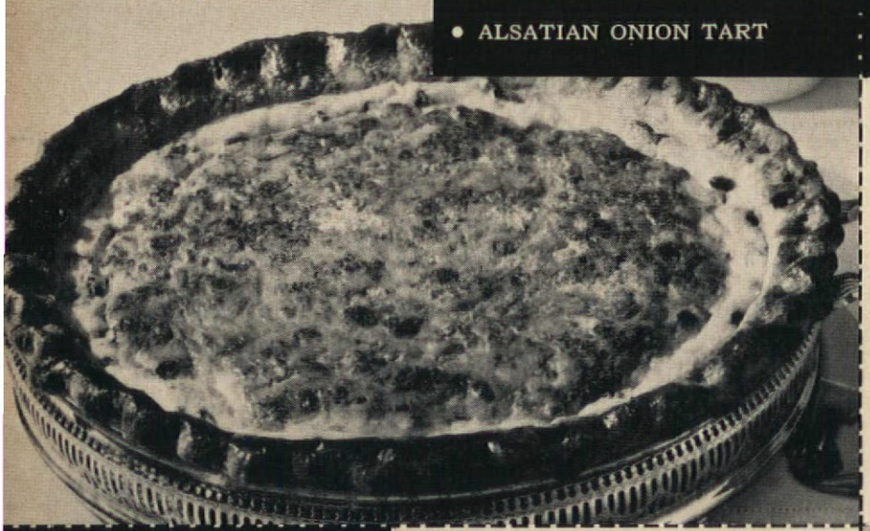
Grease two 9-inch layer cake pans. Divide the dough into two portions and pat into place in each pan. Let rise until double in bulk. Bake about 30 minutes at 350° F.

If desired, cake may be patted into shape of a crown on greased cookie sheet.

## • SHRIMP MULL



## • ALSATIAN ONION TART



## • ALMOND SOUP

1 c. almonds
6 c. milk
½ c. sugar
4 egg yolks
1 tbs. flour

• The almonds should be blanched and peeled, then well dried. Grind until they are fine. Mix with flour and sugar. Bring the milk to the boiling point. Add almonds and egg yolks one by one, stirring constantly. Cool in the refrigerator and serve cold with biscuits. Almond soup may be served hot, traditionally when served for Christmas dinner.

*Recipe, Old Warsaw Cook Book by Rysia. Roy publishers.*

## HOLIDAY BRAID

*Preparation time: 30 min.*
*Rising time: 1½–2 hours*
*Baking time: 35–40 min.*

2 pkg. Hot Roll Mix
1 tsp. ground cardamon
1½ c. golden raisins
1 egg, slightly beaten
1 tbs. sugar
1 tbs. water
Sesame seeds

• Prepare Hot Roll Mix, 1 package at a time in separate bowls, adding ½ tsp. cardamon to each batch, following package directions for Richer Dough; let rise. Turn first batch of dough out onto lightly floured board; knead in ¾ c. raisins. Cut off a small piece of the dough and set aside. Divide remaining dough into six equal parts and roll each into a strip about 12 inches long. Make two braids, three strips each. Place on greased baking sheet with reserved piece of dough between. Knead second batch of dough on lightly floured board, adding remaining raisins. Divide into three equal parts; braid two of these as above and place on top of the first two larger braids. From remaining portion of dough cut off a small piece and place between two center braids. Then divide last piece of dough into three strips and braid; place on top. Combine egg, sugar and water and brush entire surface; sprinkle with sesame seeds. Bake in slow oven (325° F.) 35–40 minutes or until well browned.

*Makes 1 large braid (about 3 doz. slices)* *110 cal. per slice* *Source of Vitamins A, B*

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## • CARRÉ DE PORC RÔTI



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**SEAL TOP** with wire closure and freeze. For a quick meal, drop bags of "go-together" foods in a pan of boiling water and cook until heated through. Cut top off bags and serve . . . no messy pans to wash.





## • CHICKEN TATER BARBECUTIE

## • CHOCOLATE CRUNCH CONFECTIONS

*Preparation time: 20 min.*

**16 sq. semisweet chocolate**
**2 cans (3 oz.) chow mein noodles**

• Heat chocolate over hot water until almost melted. Remove from heat and stir rapidly until entirely melted. Add noodles, and mix lightly until they are completely coated with chocolate. Drop from teaspoon onto waxed paper. Cool until firm.

*Makes 2 doz.* *100 cal. each* *Source of Vitamins A, B*

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## CRANBERRY MOLD

*Preparation time: 30 min.*
*Chilling time: 3 hrs.*

**1 pkg. strawberry-flavored gelatin**
**½ tsp. salt**
**1 c. hot water**
**1 c. cold water**
**1 c. chopped raw cranberries**
**½ c. diced celery**
**½ c. chopped walnuts**

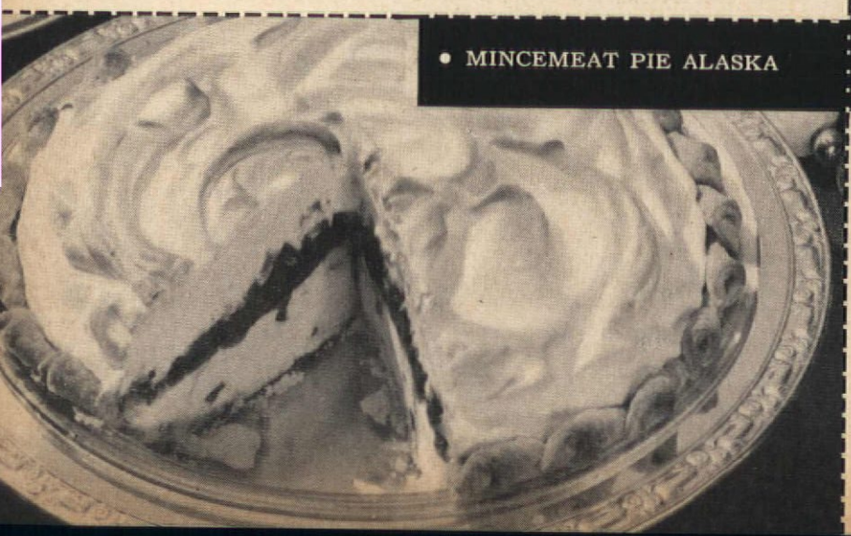
• Dissolve gelatin and salt in hot water; add cold water. Chill until slightly thickened. Fold in remaining ingredients. Turn into 1-quart or 4-5 individual molds. Chill until firm. Unmold onto platter.

*Serves 4-5* *200 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B, C*

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## • WELSH RAREBIT



## • MINCEMEAT PIE ALASKA

## • TURKEY TIMBALES

*Preparation time: 10 min.*
*Baking time: 35–40 min.*

**4 tbs. butter or margarine**
**6 tbs. flour**
**1½ c. milk**
**2 eggs, slightly beaten**
**1½ c. ground or finely minced cooked turkey**
**2 tbs. chopped pimiento**
**2 tsp. minced or grated onion**
**1 tsp. lemon juice**
**½ tsp. ground sage**
**½ tsp. salt**
**Dash of pepper**

• Melt butter or margarine in saucepan; blend in flour. Gradually add milk and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and comes to a boil. Stir in beaten eggs; blend well. Add remaining ingredients and pour into 4–6 greased custard cups or 1-quart mold. Bake in pan of hot water in moderate oven (350° F.) 35–40 minutes, or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Serve hot.

*Serves 4–6* *150 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B, C*

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# Holiday Recipes

(pictured in color on pages 52, 53)

## MINCEMEAT PIE ALASKA

*Preparation time: 25 min.*
*Baking time: 5 min.*

**9-inch baked pie shell**
**1 pt. vanilla ice cream**
**¼ c. chopped candied cherries**
**½ tsp. rum extract**
**1 c. mincemeat**
**3 egg whites**
**6-8 tbs. sugar**

• Have pie shell well chilled. Soften ice cream slightly and stir in cherries and rum extract. Spoon ice cream into cold pie shell; top with layer of mincemeat. Wrap and freeze in disposable pie plates until ready to serve—no longer than 2 months. Just before serving, beat egg whites until stiff, gradually beating in the sugar. Remove pie from freezer. Transfer to regular pie plate. Pile meringue on top of pie, spreading to seal edges well. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) 5–8 minutes or until browned. Serve immediately.

*Serves 6* *390 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B*

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## • TURKEY TIMBALES



## • CRANBERRY MOLD



## • WELSH RAREBIT

*Preparation time: 15 min.*

**3 tbs. butter or margarine**
**¼ c. flour**
**1 tsp. dry mustard**
**1 tsp. salt**
**¼ tsp. pepper**
**⅛ tsp. cayenne**
**2 c. stale beer**
**1 lb. cheddar cheese, grated**

• Melt butter in saucepan; blend in flour and seasonings. Gradually add beer; cook and stir over medium heat until mixture comes to a boil and is slightly thickened. Add cheese and continue cooking, stirring constantly, until cheese is completely melted. Serve over toast points.

TO FREEZE: Pour into jars, polyethylene freeze-cook bags, or containers, cool and then freeze. Reheat over hot water.

*Serves 6–8* *310 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B*

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## CHICKEN TATER BARBECUTIE

*Preparation time: 20 min.*
*Baking time: 45 min.*

**½ c. chopped onion**
**¼ c. chopped green pepper**
**¼ c. chopped celery**
**⅓ c. salad oil**
**½ c. catsup**
**¼ c. water**
**2 tbs. vinegar**
**2 tbs. sugar**
**1 tbs. Worcestershire Sauce**
**1 tbs. prepared mustard**
**2 tsp. salt**
**¼ tsp. pepper**
**3-lb. frying chicken, cut in quarters**
**4 small Idaho potatoes**

• Sauté onion, green pepper and celery in salad oil until tender but not browned. Add catsup, water, vinegar, sugar, and seasonings, and simmer 15 minutes. Arrange chicken and potatoes in shallow baking pan; pour barbecue sauce over them and bake, basting frequently, in hot oven (400° F.) 40–50 minutes, or until done. Serve chicken and potatoes with sauce.

*Serves 4* *570 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B, C*

***Submitted by Linda K. Kent***

## • CHOCOLATE CRUNCH CONFECTIONS





**HOLIDAY MOLDS** (above) make a gift of date-nut refrigerator cake doubly artistic, doubly welcome, doubly thoughtful. Wrap in foil for safe-keeping in freezer. Try storing fragile pies in plastic pie container (right).





## • MINTED WALNUTS

## • CONSOMMÉ WITH MUSTARD DUMPLINGS

*Preparation time: 10 min.*
*Cooking time: 5 min.*

**1 tbs. prepared mustard**
**¼ tsp. salt**
**1 egg, slightly beaten**
**½ pkg. (10 oz.) or 1 stick pie-crust mix**
**Consommé or bouillon, about 1 qt.**

• Add mustard and salt to egg; stir into pie crust mix, blending well. Drop batter by teaspoonfuls into boiling consomme and simmer 5 minutes. Serve immediately.
Note: Dumplings may be made in advance—keep chilled until ready to cook.

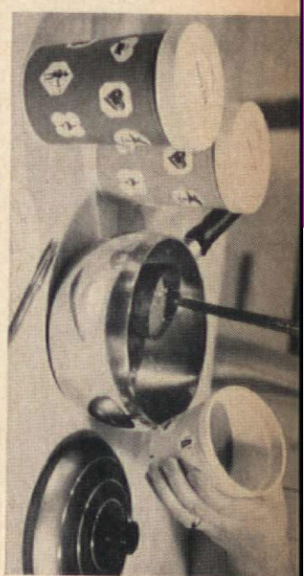
*Serves 4–6* *220 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B*

***Submitted by Mrs. R. Albrecht***





**MAKE TRIPLE RECIPE** of barbecue sauce and freeze in decorative plastic-coated paper containers. Freeze timbales (left) in saran-lined molds; lift out when frozen, seal top and store.



## CHEESE-CRUSTED VEAL PIE

*Preparation time: 30 min.*
*Cooking & baking time: 1 hour*

**2 lbs. veal cutlets, cut in cubes**
**2 tbs. butter, margarine or other shortening**
**1 tsp. salt**
**¼ tsp. pepper**
**½ tsp. marjoram**
**1 tsp. sugar**
**2 c. water**
**1 can (#2) tomatoes**
**1 can (#2) small, white onions, drained**
**2–3 tbs. flour**
**2 hard cooked eggs, cut in wedges**
**1 pkg. (10 oz.) or 2 sticks pie-crust mix**
**¾ c. very finely grated Swiss cheese**
**¼ tsp. mace**
**Dash paprika**

• Brown veal cubes well in butter in large saucepan; add seasonings and water, cover and simmer until meat is tender, about 30 minutes. Add tomatoes and onions. Thicken the stock with flour dissolved in small amount of water. If gravy becomes thicker than desired, add some of the onion liquid. Add the eggs. Prepare pie-crust mix according to package directions, adding cheese, mace and paprika to the mix before the liquid. Roll dough on lightly floured board into a 15-inch square; trim evenly and scallop edges with end of a spoon. Line a 9x9x2-inch baking dish with the pastry, folding corners for perfect fit. Fill with meat and gravy mixture and fold scalloped edge in over the top. Bake in hot oven (400°F.) 25–30 minutes or until well browned and bubbly.

*Serves 6* *540 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B, C*



## • BUTTERHORN COOKIES



## • APRICOT PIE IN SPICE CRUST

## • HORS D'OEUVRES

**TURNOVERS:**

**3 tbs. grated Parmesan cheese**
**1 tsp. ground caraway**
**¼ tsp. paprika**
**1 pkg. (10 oz.) or 2 sticks pie-crust mix**
**1½–2 c. ground cooked meat or poultry**
**2 tbs. softened butter or margarine**
**¼ c. *each* chopped onion, celery and nutmeats**
**¼ tsp. salt**
**1 egg, slightly beaten**

Add cheese and spices to pie-crust mix; then proceed according to package directions. Combine remaining ingredients for filling. Roll dough ⅛ inch thick. Cut 3-inch circles and/or squares; place about 1 tbs. filling on each; moisten edges and seal. Brush each turnover with mixture of milk and egg yolk. Bake on cooky sheet at 375°F. 15–20 minutes.

**CHEESE STICKS:**

Prepare pie-crust mix as for turnover, omitting ground caraway. Roll dough ⅛ inch thick; cut into strips about 1x3 inches. Brush with egg white; sprinkle with poppy, sesame, or caraway seeds. Bake on cooky sheet at 400°F. 5–8 minutes, until browned.

**HAM WEDGES:**

Prepare pie-crust mix as for Cheese Sticks; roll into four 7-inch circles. Spread two circles with deviled ham to within ½ inch of edge. Moisten edges; top with remaining circles; seal; prick tops. Bake on cooky sheet at 450°F. 8–10 minutes. Cut in wedges; serve hot.

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## PRICOT PIE
## N SPICE CRUST

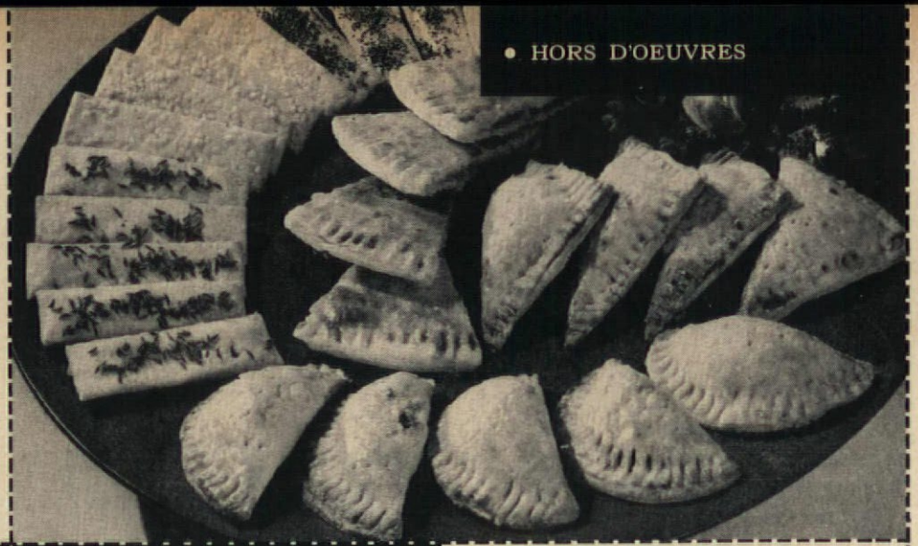
*Preparation time: 40 min.*
*Baking time: 35-40 min.*

**½ pkg. (10 oz.) or 1 stick pie-crust mix**
**1 tbs. sugar**
**¼ tsp. cinnamon**
**⅛ tsp. cloves or nutmeg**
**1 tbs. lemon juice**
**1 c. dried apricots**
**½ c. pineapple juice**
**4 egg whites**
**⅛ tsp. salt**
**1 c. sugar**

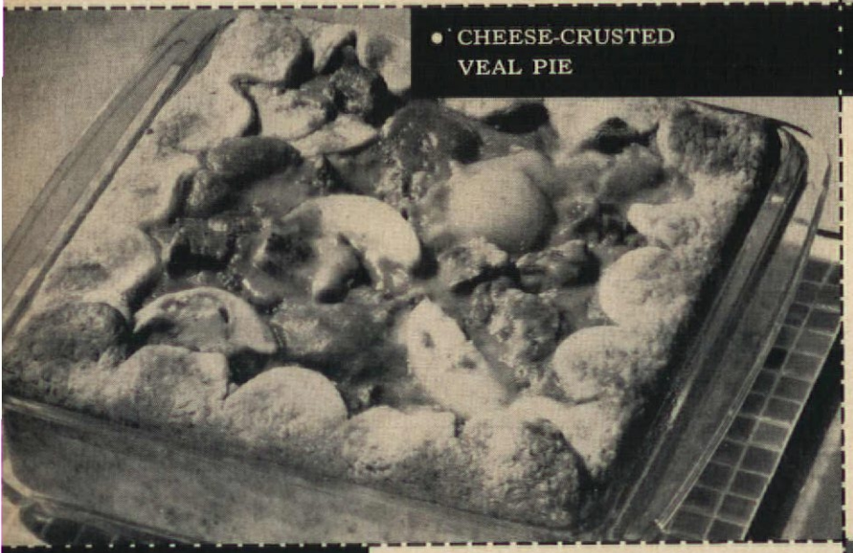
• Combine pie-crust mix, 1 tbs. sugar, cinnamon and cloves and proceed according to package directions, using lemon juice as part of the liquid. Line a 9-inch pie pan with the pastry and bake as directed; cool.
Cook apricots in pineapple juice until very soft; put through fine sieve or food mill; cool. (There should be 1 cup pulp.) Beat egg whites and salt until stiff; gradually beat in sugar. Carefully fold in apricot pulp. Turn into baked pie shell and bake in slow oven (250°F.) 25–30 minutes or until lightly browned; cool.

*Serves 6* *360 cal. per serving* *Source of Vitamins A, B, C*

***Submitted by Mrs. L. Getschmann***



## • HORS D'OEUVRES



## • CHEESE-CRUSTED VEAL PIE

## • BUTTERHORN COOKIES

*Preparation time: 20 min.*
*Baking time: 15 min.*

**½ pkg. dry yeast (1½ tsp.)**
**2 tbs. lukewarm water**
**2 egg yolks, slightly beaten**
**½ tsp. vanilla**
**1 pkg. (10 oz.) or 2 sticks pie-crust mix**
**Water, about 2 tbs.**
**2 egg whites**
**½ c. sugar**
**½ c. ground walnuts**
**½ tsp. vanilla**

• Dissolve yeast in lukewarm water in small bowl; add egg yolks and vanilla. Stir into pie-crust mix, blending well; add water to moisten according to package directions. Roll dough ¼ at a time on lightly floured board into four 9-inch circles. Cut each circle into 6 pie-shaped wedges. Place 1 teaspoon Walnut Filling at the wide end of each wedge, roll up and place, point down, on lightly greased baking sheet. Bake in hot oven (400°F.) 12–15 minutes, until golden brown. Cool and dust with confectioner's sugar.
*Filling:* Beat egg whites until foamy; beat in sugar and beat until mixture stands in stiff peaks. Fold in ground walnuts and vanilla.

*Makes 24* *100 cal. per cookie* *Source of Vitamins A, B*

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## MINTED WALNUTS

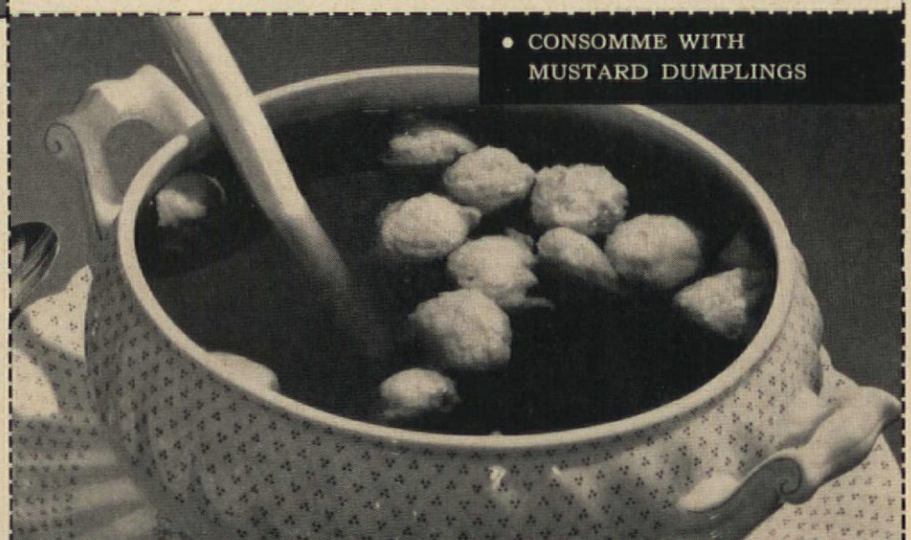
*Preparation time: 25 min.*

**¼ c. light corn syrup**
**1 c. sugar**
**½ c. water**
**1 tsp. essence of peppermint**
**10 marshmallows**
**3 c. walnut halves**

• Combine corn syrup, sugar and water in a saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until mixture boils. Continue cooking to 238°F. or until small amount of mixture forms a soft ball when tested in very cold water. Remove from heat; quickly add essence of peppermint and marshmallows. Stir until marshmallows are dissolved. Add walnut halves; stir until well coated. Pour onto waxed paper. Separate walnut halves while still warm.

*Makes 1¼ lb. (9 doz.)* *25 cal. each* *Source of Vitamins A, B, C*

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# Holiday Recipes

(pictured in color on pages 54, 55)



**MAKE SUNDAE TOPPINGS** from canned or frozen fruit. Pineapple, strawberry and raspberry sauces are shown here. We're sure you always keep a quantity of ice cream in your freezer for last-minute desserts . . . but use the toppings to dress up puddings or cake too. We froze the toppings in pint-sized plastic containers which have a unique trick of telling you when they went into the freezer. On the lid is a dial which can be set to any week of the year. Freeze an extra batch of sauce to take to neighbors when you go calling.



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## Freezer Full of Christmas

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necessary to make room for the new additions. Last, but far from least, don't overlook the part children can play in getting ready for a fun-filled, freezer-filled Christmas. It's child's play to decorate cookies, make gingerbread men, beat fudge, shape popcorn balls and string some for the tree.

To kindle your imagination on the many kinds of food that can be made in advance, here's a freezerful of ideas for you—they'll be ready to pull out at the chime of a doorbell.

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Frozen eggnog • Holiday cookies • Fruit cake

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Chop suey • Chow mein noodles • Ice-cream roll • Chocolate éclairs • Fried chicken • Meringue shells • Coconut snowballs • Angel-food cake • Cranberry sherbet • Nut bread • Whipped-cream dollops • Cheesecake

**HANDY TO HAVE**

Minced parsley • Chopped and ground nuts • Shelled nut halves

**TIPS TO MAKE YOUR FAVORITE RECIPES A FREEZING SUCCESS**

1. *Use a light hand* with seasonings. Some herbs and spices tend to fade out in storage, while others grow stronger. It's best to add most seasonings when food is being heated for serving.
2. *Do not overcook* casseroles, stews and similar food. They will have a fresher flavor and more pleasing texture when reheated. It's usually best to let the food finish cooking at that time.
3. *Cool cooked foods* quickly and freeze as soon as they are cooled.
4. *Do not refreeze* cooked foods. Try to package prepared food in quantities you are likely to use at one time.
5. *Package* all food in airtight packages to keep it fresh and flavorful.

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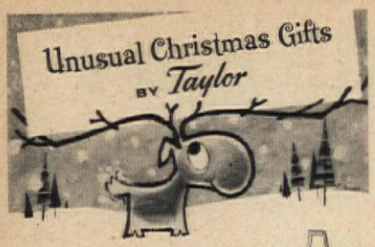


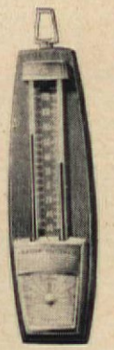

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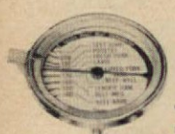


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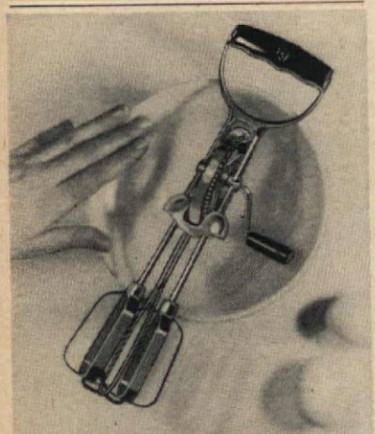
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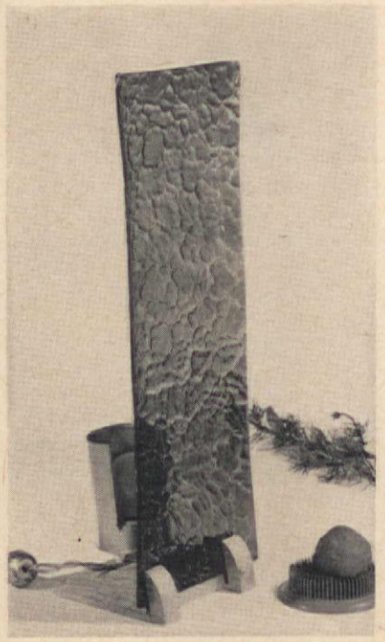
**THESE COOKIE TREE ORNAMENTS** are made of clay, so you can use them year after year, and add to the shapes as you collect them. You need Della Robbia clay, rolling pin, wood rulers, assorted cookie cutters, talcum powder, Testor's enamels (which are available in hobby shops and come in very small bottles). Cut clay in slices 1 in. thick, place on smooth board, place rulers on either side of clay, then roll clay like cookie dough between rulers, this keeps the clay of uniform thickness. Dust cookie cutters with talcum powder, then cut clay. Save scraps, wad into ball, reroll, cut with cutters. Punch hole in top of each ornament for hanging. Dust off talcum. Dry according to directions on box of clay. Bake in oven. Paint with enamels, using designs like those *shown at left* or use favorite Christmas cards for suitable designs.

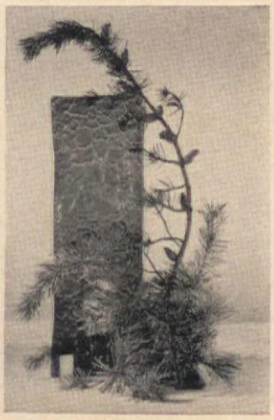


**FOR MEDALLION OVER-MANTEL** or door decoration, spray an oval wood frame with blue paint. Decorative cluster: blue-berried juniper, eucalyptus seed pods, sliced pine cones wired to florists' picks. Finish with gold spray, green ribbon.









**RED GLASS TRAY** held by a wood frame; light fixture behind it. Pine branch with cones secured in pin holder; gold spray optional.





**RUSTIC NATIVITY SCENE** is composed of two large pieces of burl wood and "stable" with figurines—all available at florist supply or gift shops. Posey clay, a soft modeling clay, is used to secure the various elements in position. Strawflowers give interest in color and texture but if not available all juniper would be quite lovely.

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# Quiet as a Mouse

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There's a wide variety of such materials to choose from. In new houses you may substitute acoustical plaster for the two final coats of standard lime or gypsum plaster. In old houses (as well as new) you may use acoustical tiles made of vegetable fibers, mineral wool, cork, fiber glass and perforated metal. Whatever you select, the effect is the same: Since the material is porous, it soaks up sound like a sponge.

Where to use it. The one danger in using acoustical material is that you use too much. If this happens, the room becomes dead and lifeless—as unpleasant to occupy as a room which isn't acoustically treated at all.

How, then, do you know how much of the room surface should be treated? It's really something of a trial-and-error process. Start out by covering the ceiling. This usually works out just right. But if the room should be too dead, you can correct matters either by removing some of the tiles around the edges of the ceiling or by taking out some of the rugs and furniture, or perhaps substituting a lighter-weave material for the draperies. On the other hand, if the room is still too noisy, you should probably tile one of the walls, or tile part way down from the ceiling on all the walls.

What material to use. The choice depends primarily on the decorative effect you wish to achieve. Acoustical plaster (although rarely used in homes) can be applied in an unbroken expanse in just about any texture you like. Acoustical tiles are available with perforated, striated and fissured surfaces, and new types are constantly coming on the market.

From the sound-absorbing standpoint, all the tiles are effective; and it doesn't make a great deal of difference what thickness you use. But you should definitely ask about their "noise reduction coefficient." In the kitchen, bathrooms and family room, the tiles should have a coefficient of .60 to .70. Elsewhere in the house, they should have a coefficient of .40 to .50.

Installation. Most acoustical tiles are cemented directly to the ceiling. In a new house, all you have to do is put up a subceiling of gypsum board. In an old house, just paste the tiles onto the old ceiling—provided, of course, that it is sound and level.

Nailing of tiles is recommended if an old ceiling is badly cracked and uneven. Furring strips must first be applied.

If a ceiling is too high and you want to lower it, or if it is crisscrossed by pipes, tiles are usually installed in metal channels hung from the joists. This is a job for an expert.

Decoration. Most acoustical tiles come pre-finished. But they can be painted as often as you like without impairing their efficiency. Any type of paint will do, but it should be applied in a thin coat, preferably with a spray gun.

Painting of acoustical plaster, however, is a touchy job. Be sure you get directions from the plaster manufacturer before you attempt it.

## HOW TO PREVENT NOISE

While the soundproofing methods outlined above *control* noise, they do not actually *prevent* it. But there is much you can do on this score too.

*Doors.* Make sure your doors are properly fitted and are not warped. Oiling the hinges, adjusting the latches so that they fit easily but snugly in the strike plates can make a lot of difference.

*Floors.* Covering a floor with a resilient tile or with a carpet will go far toward muffling footsteps. If a floor vibrates when someone walks across it, it probably needs better bridging or additional joists.

*Light Switches.* On a quiet night the sound of a conventional light switch being turned on or off may sound like a gunshot. Replace such switches with silent mercury switches.

*Motors.* Modern appliance motors are extremely quiet; but if they're not mounted dead level, watch out. Call in the serviceman and have him make the necessary adjustments. Another thing . . . see that motors which are bolted directly to the frame of the house are mounted on resilient pads.

*Heavy mechanical equipment.* If installed too close to the main structural timbers, such things as furnaces, air conditioners, attic fans and shop tools may set up vibrations which are heard throughout the house. (continued)

*Central air-conditioning systems* must be connected to the ducts with canvas sleeves. If the sound of air coursing through the ducts is objectionable, line them with acoustical material.

*Heating system.* Hot-water and steam radiators may bang if the boiler water is dirty, valves half-opened or pipes are not properly pitched. It's easy enough to correct the first two problems. To fix pipe pitch, put small blocks of wood under the radiators. If the pipes sag at any point, strap them back into position.

*Plumbing system.* Does your piping chatter and hammer? Install an "air cushion" near the water meter.

*Bathroom cabinets* should be separated from the wall in back of them by a thick filler of insulating board or blanket.

*Shutters.* Don't let the catches which hold shutters tight to the walls become loose or rusty. If you do, they will break loose in a storm and keep the entire neighborhood awake.

THE END

# BACKGROUND DRAMA:
## *White with Black*



**A BLACK-AND-WHITE COLOR SCHEME** can be deadly dull or devastatingly dramatic as shown in this dining room. The graceful Arabesque design of the wallpaper contrasts strikingly with the block effect of the linoleum floor. It is a good example of related balance and scale . . . a perfect background for the formal mahogany furniture. The antique bird print fits into the scheme beautifully and the best part of it is the linoleum may be had for approximately $3.00 a square yard.

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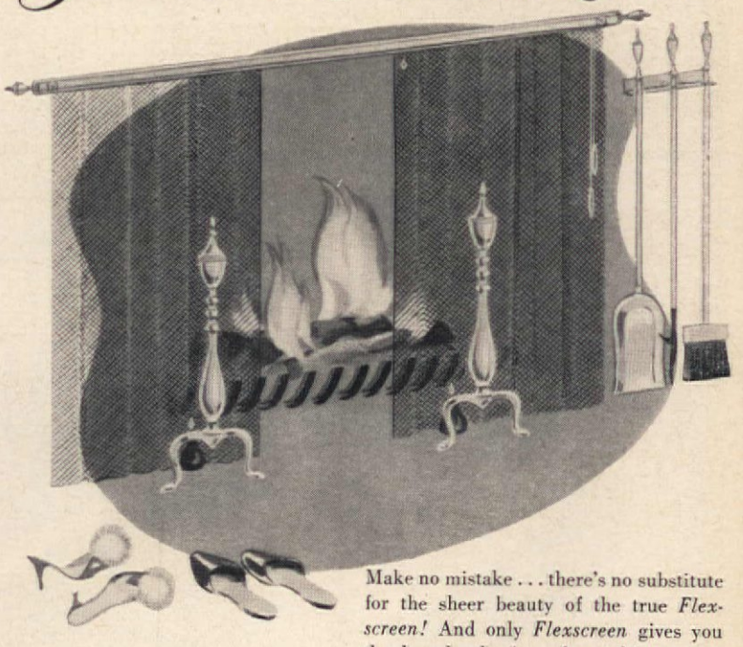



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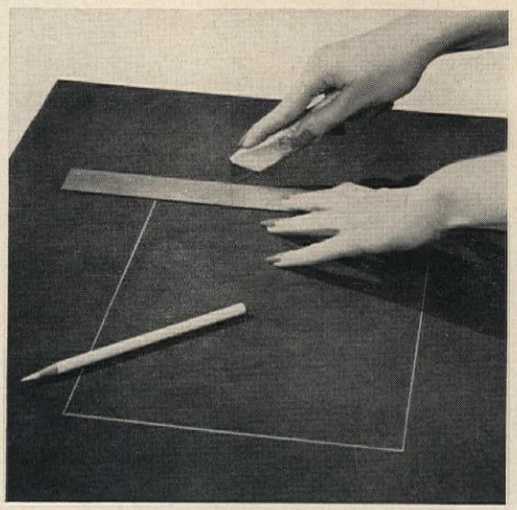
**YOU NEED:**
½ yd. of tweed—$1.14  Unpainted frame—$1.40
1½ yds. black silk cord—12c

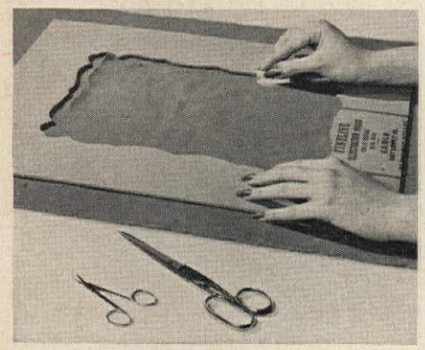
Stain frame warm brown. Cut cardboard mat to fit frame. Cut out center a little smaller than print. Glue tweed over mat with fabric adhesive, dry. With fabric side down, cut fabric away from opening, using razor blade. Glue black cord around opening. Ideal for our American HOME bird prints.

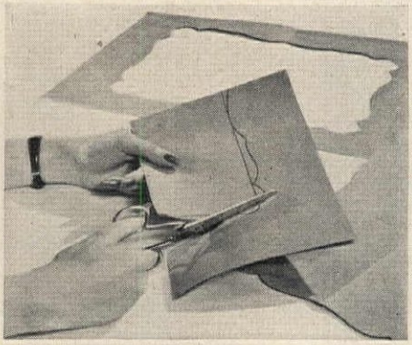
## $1.65 "LEATHER" MAT

**YOU NEED:**
½ yd. contact paper—25c  Unpainted frame—$1.40

Wet contact paper, stick to mat, dry. Mark off center, slightly smaller than print. Cut out with mat knife. Draw two white lines around mat opening (see photograph).

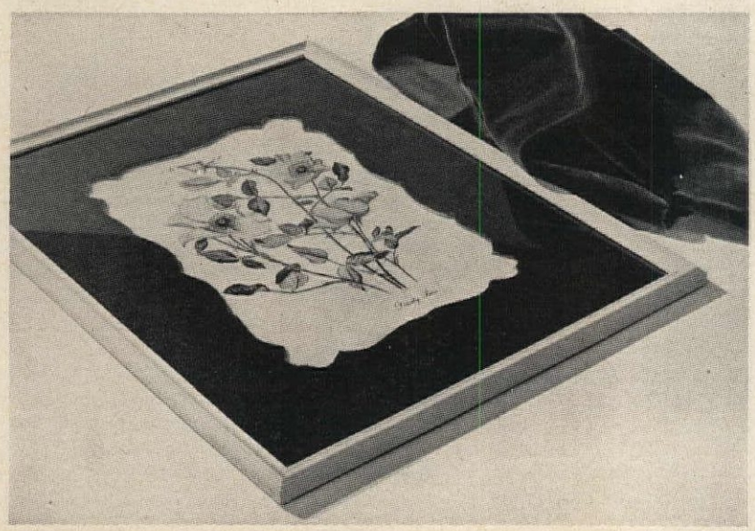






# Tricks for

*Some inexpensive and decorative ways to frame your favorite prints*



## $3.49 VELVETEEN MAT

**YOU NEED:**
½ yd. velveteen—$1.50  Narrow frame—$1.99

Cut a piece of paper same size as the glass which fits your frame. Draw an oblong 1 inch smaller than print you plan to frame. We used our Dainty Bess rose from the June issue. Fold paper in half lengthwise, then crosswise. Draw a curved French Provincial-type outline on ¼ of the paper pattern (see photograph). Cut out along curved lines. Unfold paper and you have a beautifully curved cut-out outline. Trace this on cardboard mat. Cut out with mat knife or razor blade. Mount velveteen with fabric adhesive right over cut-out center, dry. Cut out velveteen center roughly with scissors, then trim close to curved mat with a fresh razor blade. Mount print to back with masking tape.



### 79c WOOD SLAT MAT

**YOU NEED:**

wood slat place mat—59c  2 round picture rings—20c

Turn back 1 inch at top and bottom of mat and glue to back of mat. Screw 2 round picture rings into top of mat. Mount print on cardboard same size. Dry, then shellac the print.

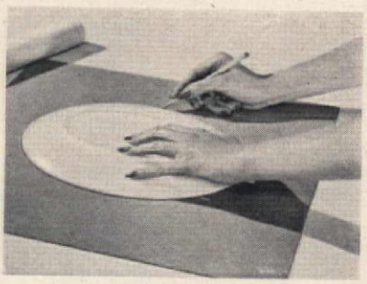
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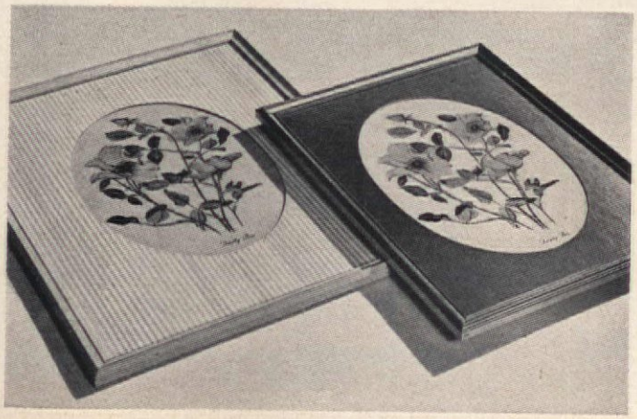
Mount other print on a straw place mat, 25c, cover with glass, same size as mat, $1.00, and hang with steel brackets, $1.50.

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### $3.49 OVAL MAT

Mount striped wallpaper scrap or gold wrapping paper (only 29c a sheet) on cardboard mat. Dry, then draw oval cutout, using a platter for shape. Cut out with a mat knife. Sand edges with fine sandpaper. Secure picture to back with masking tape. Use gilt frame, $3.20.






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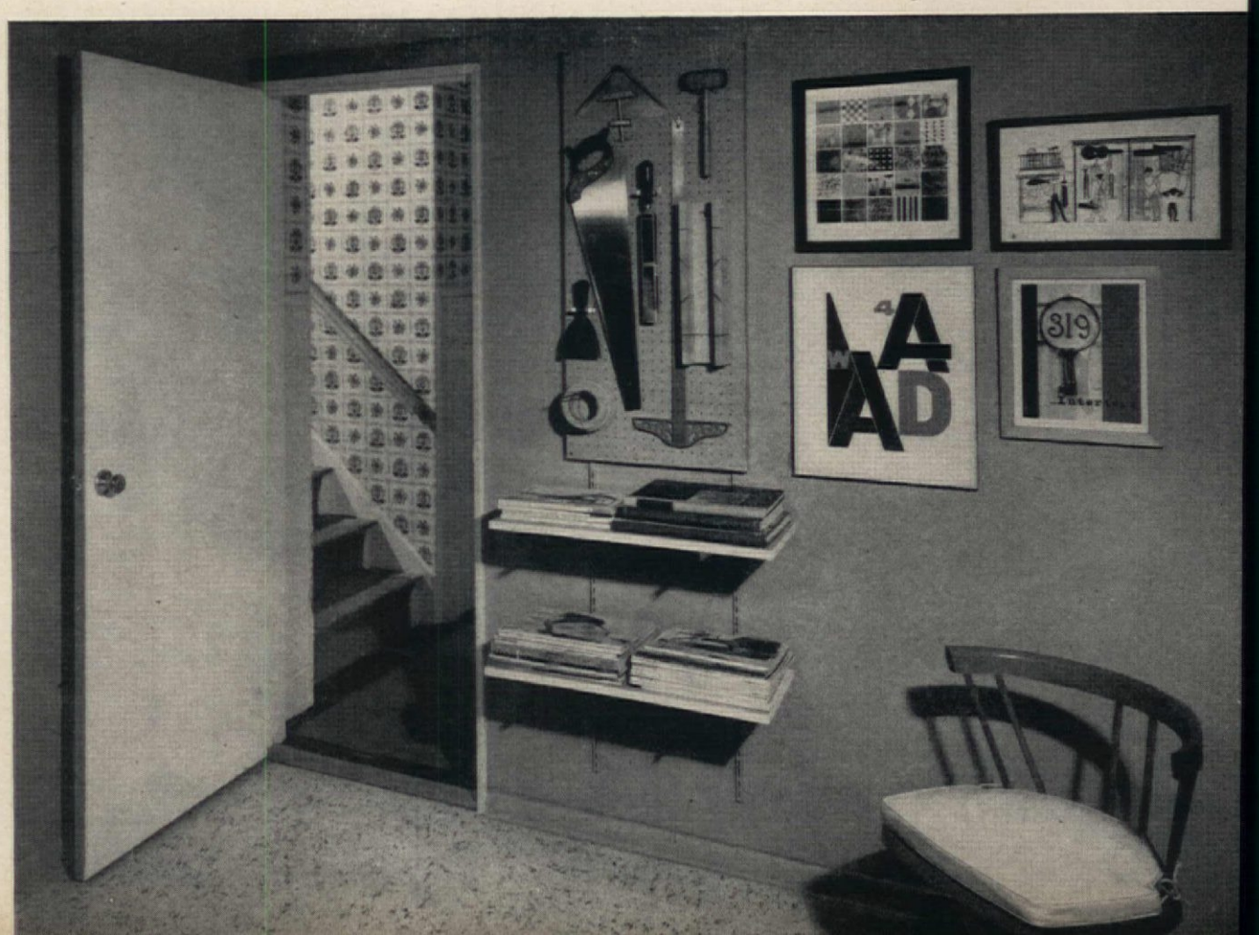
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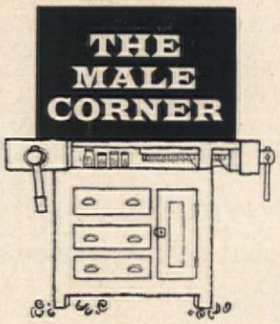
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# A PLACE TO CALL HIS OWN

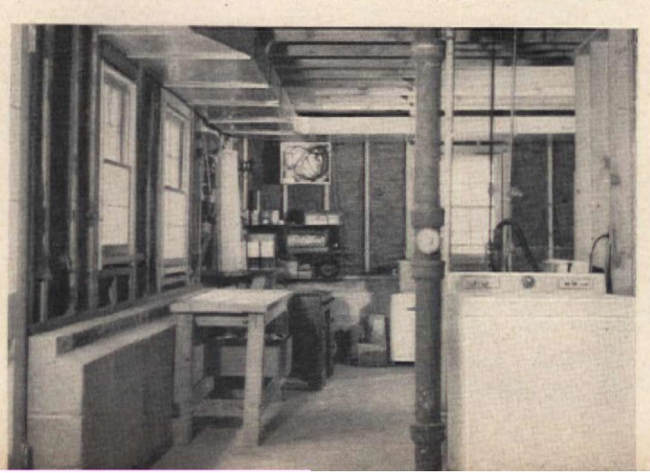
Turn the page, Mom! This is our kick-off article in a brand-new series devoted to the man of the American HOME. In each issue we'll try to come up with new, useful ideas to make man's homework easier and more fun.

It seems every man wants a place somewhere in his house that he can call his own—whether it's a den, workshop or just a corner at the back of the garage.

Bill Lanyon, our managing editor, made his niche by remodeling a corner of his basement, *below*, into the handsome workshop-studio you see *at left*. Bill's main interests are art and woodworking, so he outfitted his sanctuary with a workbench, storage closets, shelves and racks to accommodate the tools of both pursuits. He built partitions, using a framework of 2x4-inch studs, covered both sides with ½" gypsum board. The spatter-pattern flooring is vinyl-asbestos tiling. It is secured to the below-grade slab with water-proof adhesive. The acoustical-tile ceiling is nailed to furring strips which are in turn nailed to the first-floor joists. He camouflaged the heating ducts at the edge of the ceiling by painting them the same color as the walls. Open storage for books and art objects is provided by adjustable metal wall brackets with pine shelving. Perforated hardboard and metal hangers hold most of the tools.

If you're the man of the house, you should have a display wall like this one to show off your favorite collection—be it antique tools, trophies or animal heads. The rugged, masculine backdrop is achieved with well-aged, wide boards. Fluorescent tubes and a valance board provide overhead light.

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**A COLLECTION** that's all your own lends your personal stamp to the room—makes it unique.

A router kit with power-plane attachment and cutter, motor unit, router base, bits, router guide and carrying case is easily one of the most versatile tools in your workshop. Using the router, you can cut dadoes for attaching shelves in cabinets and bookcases; make grooves for sliding doors, drawers, or recessed panels and drawer bottoms. You can use the router for decorating or making inlays in wood, plastics, or non-ferrous metals. The router cuts ¼-inch plywood like a jigsaw. With a veining bit, the router makes signs with raised or sunken letters. Photo, *at right*, shows how router cuts rabbets with or across the grain for making such things as end joints or lap joints. It machines recesses for receiving glass, screening, or cabinet backs. You don't have to be a skilled cabinetmaker to cut dovetail joints. With router and special bit you can quickly and easily make this type of lock-joint in a variety of sizes. *Below*, you see how router can be converted to high-speed planer by removing motor unit from router base and slipping it into plane attachment. Planer leaves smooth surfaces that need no sanding. It trims aluminum and laminates; cuts doors and windows to fit exactly.







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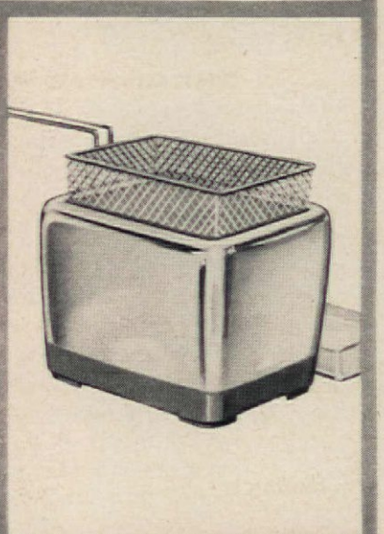
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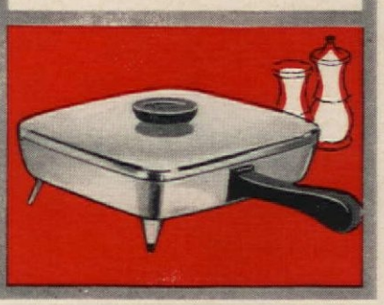












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## Christmas Story (continued from page 25)

full faith in that seagoing husband of mine, but I was seeing the fury of wind and water from an entirely different vantage than the tank on the Fox movie lot.

Then Susan gave me the key. One I should have thought about instantly.

"Tell us a story."

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So, bending my head out of the spray, I started one of the toughest presentations of my career. To keep from falling out of the wild little skiff, I had to hold on to both gunwales at once. Lori was sitting on the bottom, holding on to one leg, and Charlie was braced between my other leg and the thwart upon which I sat. Susan, bless her, sat behind, her head pushed under my arm so that she, too, could hear above the wind's hiss.

My voice could not betray any undue excitement, the waves spewed constantly into my face, giving a certain liquid quality to my lines, and the whole thing had to be done at a full shout in order to be heard. Though I did not expect this last, it also had to be a continuous story for almost an hour (with no rehearsal, no help, and no commercials to give me a breather!).

I started off with Mother Goose Rhymes, making each couplet last a page, then shifted into Rapunzel. When I got to the part about the long blond hair done up in silky braids, Susan started to laugh. "Look, Charlie, at Mommy Rapunzel!" There I was with drenched strands of hair hanging in my face, and water dripping off the end of my nose.

For a solid hour, I shouted my stories, the skiff leapt and plunged, and the water sailed across us. My husband was crouched, one hand on the tiller, one hand bailing with an empty milk carton. Finally, our sodden craft rounded the rocks into our protected bay, and wallowed thankfully into the beach.

"Who wants dry land?" said my husband, in the understatement of the day.

Little Charlie stayed hunched by my leg, his head down on my knee. Slowly he raised his eyes and looked around.

"What did you think of it?" I asked.

"I was praying," he replied.

At Christmastime, the lake will be months and miles away. We'll be snug and dry and warm in our own home. There'll be all the delights of other Christmases—the lovely fragrant tree, wreaths and mistletoe, merry feasting on goodies and the gay hubbub of present-opening. But this year, Christmas will be more special than ever. While the kiddies sprawl in dreamland, and Charlie and I stretch out on the floor with bare feet toward the fireplace, I know what I'll be thinking. . . .

Sweet dreams, my darlings! Dreams of sugarplums and Santa Claus! Dreams are made for children. Let Mommy and Daddy handle the boat for a while yet.

THE END


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**CHRISTMAS SEASON**

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## Just Ask Us! (continued from page 10)

**Q.** *Have marveled at the new oven-to-table china now being sold. How does it differ from the china dinnerware we've always known?*

**A.** This new oven-to-table china is an adaption of china originally made for restaurants and hotels. It is thicker and less fragile than formal china. It is true china, but due to this thickness, it is not as translucent as the china you are so familiar with. Utility for today's living is of paramount importance in the design of this ware, and certain aesthetic qualities have to be sacrificed. Serving pieces can be used in the oven and brought to the table; plates and cups have greater strength and can stand rougher usage than the fine china. It has a place in formal dining rooms today as well as kitchenettes, outdoors, country houses or city apartments. It will stand more heat than the kitchen range can ever develop. Because the patterns are underglaze, detergents and hot water from dishwashers cannot harm them. They are designed for easy stacking and storing.

**Q.** *What is the best way to use mixes?*

**A.** The smartest use of mixes of all kinds is as a timesaver. With the great variety available, using them in their simplest form will give you many different cakes, breads, etc. However, it's also fun to adapt a mix so that it resembles an old family favorite and yet takes much less time to make. Check the recipes on the package, they'll give you an idea of what you can do to the mix without spoiling it. Generally you can add spices, dry fruits, nuts or coconut without fear. Changing or adding sugar, fats or liquids should be done cautiously.

**Q.** *The floor of our attic is insulated. We wish to make the attic space into bedrooms for our two boys. What should be done about insulation?*

**A.** Leave the insulation on the floor. It will help keep sounds from the rooms below. You will, however, have to insulate between the attic rafters if you want the attic rooms to be comfortable in summer and winter. THE END








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# The Look of the Country

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The Sandy Smiths live in a beautiful big house, decorated in perfect taste. Most of the house is furnished with lovely 18th-century antiques. The kitchen, family dining room and family room were of particular interest to us, so we will show how this enterprising family made comfort and convenience their credo. Above is the big family room, lighted by day with big picture windows opening onto beautiful garden vistas of many levels. Mrs. Smith grows the bounty of flowers which are always on display in wonderful imaginative bouquets—not *arrangements*—throughout the house. You can see some of the simple little garden flowers in small homely containers at each side of the large picture window, on the table in the kitchen, next to the chair by the kitchen fireplace and on page 84.

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on the family dining-room table. We must confess we like the way she has used them. Note, too, the number of patterned fabrics, and rugs, yet there is no feeling of "busyness." They were so carefully chosen the effect is only warm and friendly.

The kitchen had a chimney running down through it (this accommodated an upstairs fireplace). At the bottom of page at left we show one side of the chimney which forms a textured background for the round pine table and chairs and an old telephone. You can also see a bit of the big china cabinet. On the other side of the chimney, a small Franklin stove was installed to make a cozy sit-by-the-fire nook with a warm braided rug in blue and red and a blue chintz-covered chair. These and the sampler against the brick wall once again make a pleasing contrast of pattern and texture.

To the left of the Franklin stove a bit of the cooking unit can be seen framed with a brick arch surmounting a complete brick niche which is part of another brick wall. Pine cabinets with wrought-iron hardware flank the cooking units. There is a big double sink with windows above. Why not borrow some of these ideas for your own home? (continued)



**CAREFUL DETAILS** that took careful planning—the size of the chair in relation to the very small Franklin stove, the spice canister used for an end table, tiny brass andirons, a little pewter whale-oil lamp on a little shelf. Even the brass tea kettle is in perfect scale.

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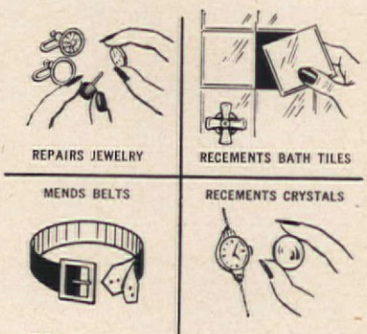
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Even the artists were verbal "booby-traps". Once we thought we heard a familiar name mentioned and volunteered that we owned an original sketch by Picasso. Our name-dropping fell embarrassingly flat, as it turned out that the subject of conversation was an artist whose "sound-alike" name was Defasso! We apologized for our blunder and tried to ask some intelligent questions about these "masters" of the future. We learned that most avant-garde art is a slow seller. However, it seems that one enterprising gallery rents collections of this art at fancy prices for hanging on the walls of your home.

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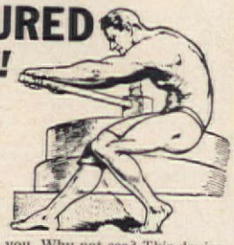
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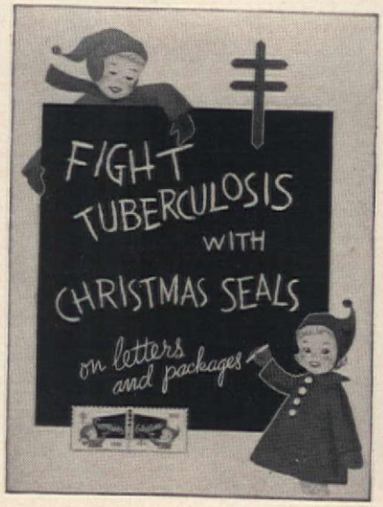
## Record Your Family's Christmas

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Knowledge of the tonal characteristics of your combo or carolers enables you to control the recording conditions necessary for that "super-stereo" effect. For example, the piano produces a sustained note of many partial complex directional patterns and therefore is best placed near "accoustical deadeners" such as drapes, blankets, etc. On the other hand, brass instruments force their tones straight out of the "bell" at high speed and stringed instruments, such as the violin, guitar, mandolin or "uke" radiate tones in a circle at medium speed. Their larger cousins, the bass viols and cellos, produce a circle of tones that settle near the floor. All of these instruments should be grouped near the center of the room, facing the short wall, properly "deadened" with drapes or screens.

With advantageous placing of your microphone, you will achieve the most effective results. To record piano, suspend the mike underneath it (if it's the grand type) or place it quite close to the keyboard, if it's an upright. To record brass instruments, the mike should be set so that the tones sweep across, rather than at it. And for those all-impressive stereophonic effects, place the mikes at each side of the instrumental group. But the vocalist? She (or he) should have a separate mike! The instruments with high "sound pressure" are balanced with "low pressure" instruments by the mixing board, a dial control device with meters that show sound level from each mike. And now, music, Maestro, please!

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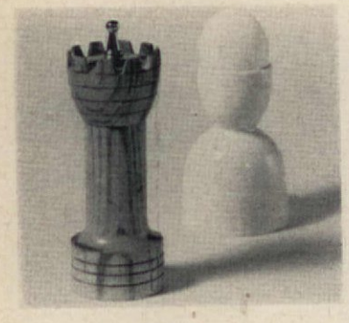
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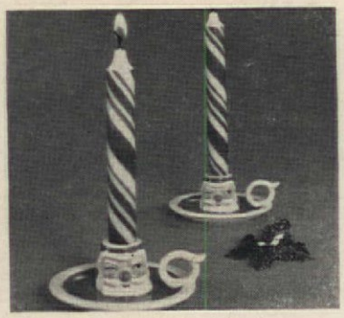
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**BRILLIANT STRATEGY** for any table is a pepper mill that also shakes salt out of the top. Of hand-rubbed chestnut, check this 6″ copy of a chess piece for the gourmet on your list who understands that pepper should be freshly ground. A good move would be to get one for yourself at the same time! $4.95. Dresden Art Works, Dept. P, 230 South Franklin St., Chicago 6, Ill.



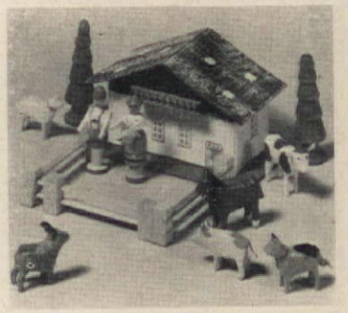
**WITH A WINK OF HIS EYE,** Santa gives you to know *he's* ready for festive affairs, too, and he'll be the light of the party! In red and white ceramic, he holds gay candy-striped candles in the top of his head. Cheery on the buffet or mantel. 5″ in diam. candleholders are $1 each, $1.89 a pair. Candles, $1.50 a pair. Add 25c post. Foster House, 430-AH S. Jefferson St., Peoria, Illinois.

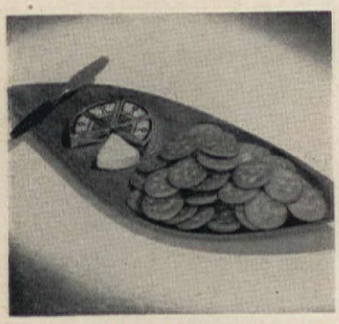


**TRAFFIC STOPPERS** are a gay way to make a hit with a teenager—and keep her ears warm too! Red felt hand has "Stop" in white, the green felt hand says "Go." They're attached to a black grosgrain ribbon band that ties under her chin to keep her "hands" cozily over her ears. They're ear-marked for our nieces! $1. Spencer Gifts, 506 Spencer Building, Atlantic City, N.J.




**THE FARMER TAKES A WIFE** and six tiny animals, surrounds them with a 3-section fence and two trees, and lives in a replica of a Swiss chalet only 2″ high! This charming farm set will delight the little girls and boys on your list 'cause the painted wooden toys are done in such careful detail. 14 pc. set, $1.45; 2 sets, $2.75. Page & Biddle, 21-AH Station Rd., Haverford, Penna.





**JACK OF ALL TRAYS** is the master of gracious service! Hand-sculpted and polished in Haiti, it is natural-finished mahogany (not stained), and a beautifully graceful shape to serve cheese and crackers, fruit, cold meats, or make an elegant base for artificial flowers and dried arrangements. Wonderful for holiday buffets! 19x8″, $3.98. Jeff Elliot, Dept. AH6, Flushing 52, N.Y.



**GIVE 'EM THE DICKENS** character they love best of all—Mr. Pickwick. Gay winter scenes, daintily colored on 4″ coasters that double as ash-trays, will coast right into the hearts of the most dyed-in-the-wool Dickens fans. In white china rimmed with gold, pick these for all your literary friends. A set of four is $4. From Old Guilford Forge, Dept. AH. Guilford, Connecticut.




**LETTER PERFECT** for keeping her desk in order, a charming 5″ high red-lined basket, with scenes in black and white from an 1864 edition of the *London Illustrated News*. It's a smart and pretty way to keep a friend's correspondence course running smoothly! We're giving these to globe-trotting pals. $1.75. Sturbridge Yankee Workshop, 1 Brimfield Tpk., Sturbridge, Mass.




**A FAST BUCK** won't bother a small buckeroo, if he has his own rocking horse—the seat's just 4½″ from the floor! Gay red and blue pony made of *sliver-proof* pine is easy to get on or off and won't tip or fall. With a tinkly silver bell, it's 10½x7x19″ and "branded" with your little cowpoke's name. $3.69 from Bancroft's. 2170 South Canalport Avenue. Dept. AH-633, Chicago 8, Illinois.

Welcome to the Market Place! Merchandise, if not personalized, may be returned within seven days for a full refund. Most of the firms mentioned in the Market Place prefer not to handle C.O.D.'s. Unless otherwise stated, postage is included in price.

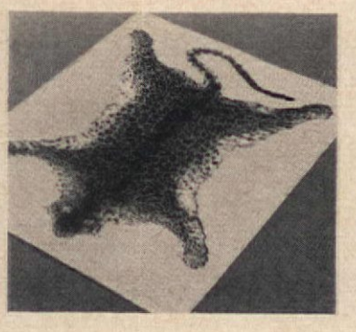
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# AMERICAN HOME MARKET PLACE

**ON THEIR TOES,** the kids will be mad about these Slipper Sox! "Puppet Toes" to wiggle are white Helanca stretch yarn with whimsical doll faces embroidered on the toes in three colors. They have a comfy soft suède-finish sole and braided yarn hair in red or yellow. Stocking sizes 6-8½. $1.98 pr., 10c postage. From Crown Craft., 246-AM Fifth Avenue, New York 1, New York.



**HE WON'T CHANGE HIS SPOTS,** but he'll transform *your* favorite spots! Plush 6x4′ rug of Jacquard-loomed cotton pile is a striking sight on the den floor or the game-room wall. Design is woven in leopard colors on jungle red or ivory beige, to take hard wear. We'd love one by a "roaring" fire! $14.95 plus $1 postage. From Niresk Industries, Dept. LL20, Chicago 47, Illinois.



**GONE TO POT** are pretty latticed cover-ups for your potted plants and flowers. In flexible ivory plastic, you can turn the edges down for low bowls. Closed bottom is insurance against rings on the table, much prettier than a saucer! 4¼″ diam., 50c ea.; 5″, 75c; 6¼″, $1.25; 7″, $1.50; 8½″, $2; 10″, $2.50. All six, $7.95. Seth & Jed, Dept. AH, New Marlborough, Mass.



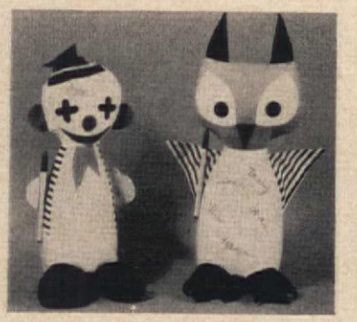
**YOU'LL BE ARRESTED** by gay signs of the times when you see them tossed gaily on the bed of the most popular girl in the dormitory. Real traffic stoppers, cellulose-filled pillows are cotton-covered and printed with red, black, and white signs. Order: *Stop* (16″ in dia.), *No Parking*, *I-Go-4-U*, or *One Way* (21″). Each $2 from Ward Phillips, Carpentersville 5, Illinois.







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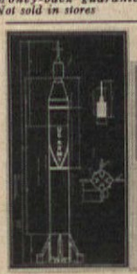

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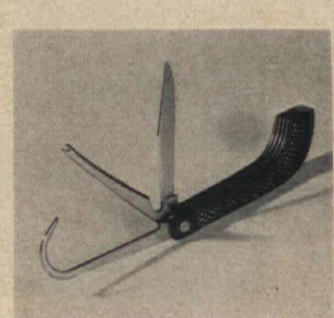
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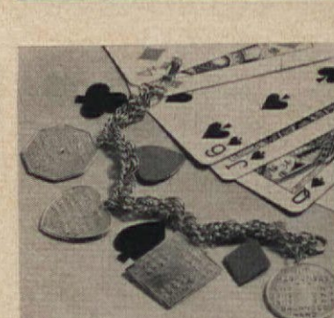

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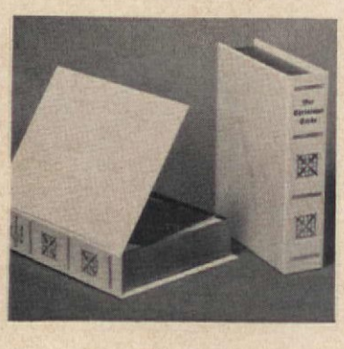
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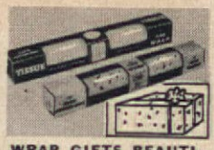
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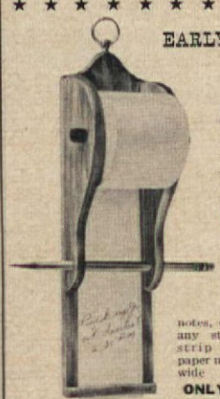
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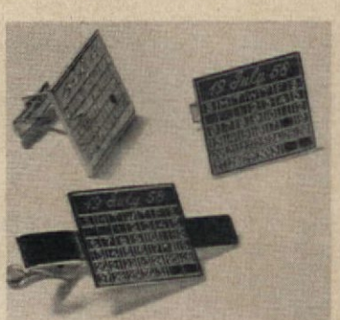
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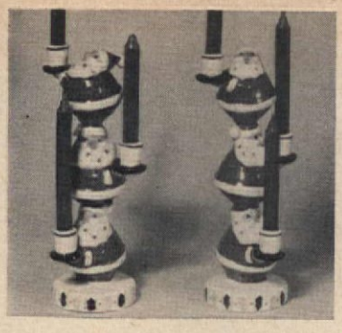


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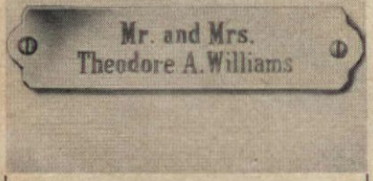
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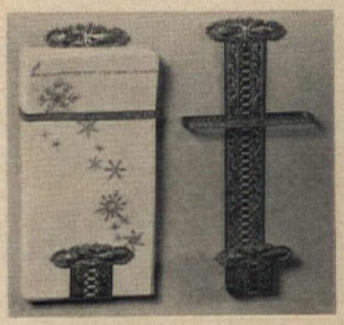
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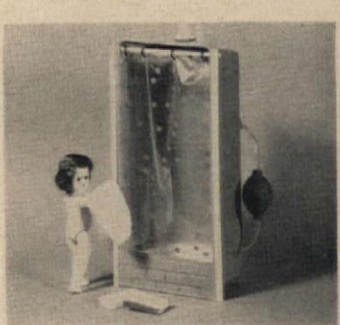
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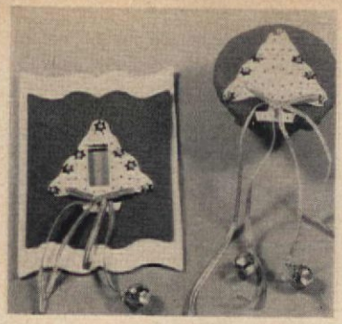



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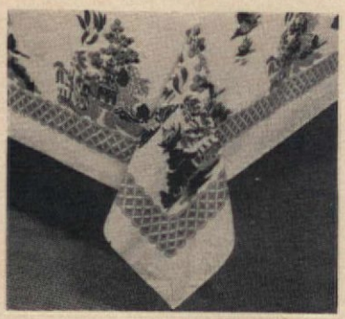


**DECK THE WALLS** of the nursery with cut-out wallpaper decorations of gay pastel animals. Baby will love a kitten riding a giraffe, a teddy bear, puppy, elephant, rabbits, toys and blocks! In pink and blue, there are 16 pieces each a foot or more tall, and they go up easily with paste. Fun to decorate with! $1.49. The Mart, Box 41-AH, Woodland Hills, California.





**SWITCH OVER** for the holidays to a fanciful felt switchplate and doorknob cover—the last word in Christmas decorating. In green or red felt and pearly plastic, trimmed with sequins and golden streamers for a light, a-door-able touch in every room! Single plate $1; elasticized doorknob cover, $1; double plate, $1.50. Added Touch, Dept. AH, Wynnewood, Penna.



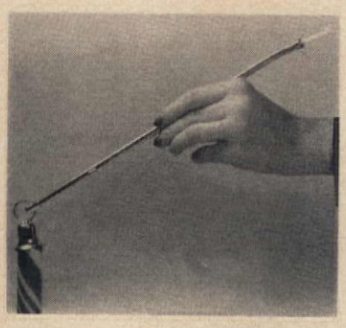
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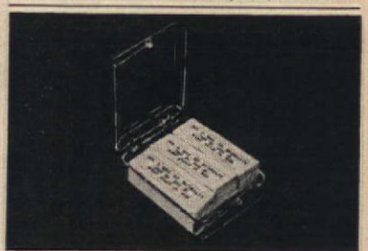
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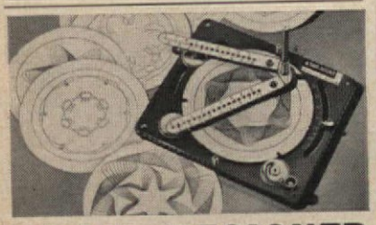
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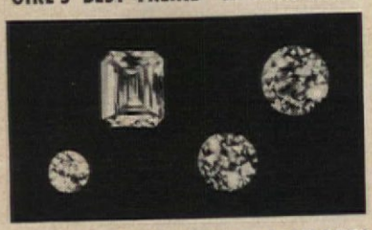
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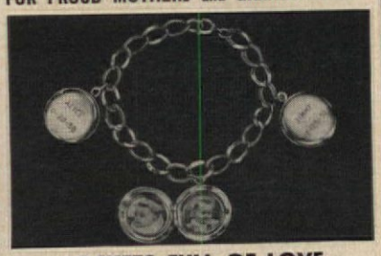

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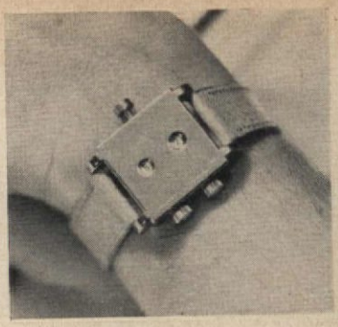


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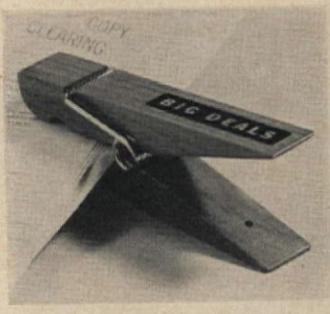
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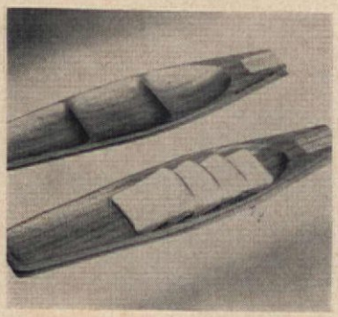


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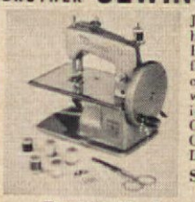



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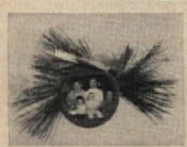
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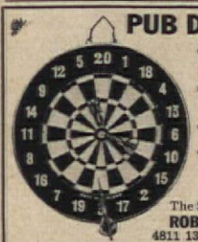


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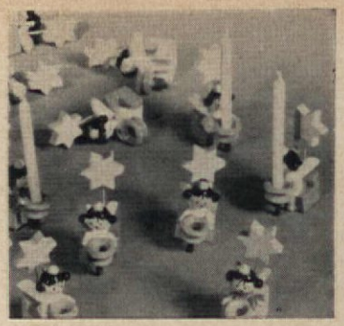



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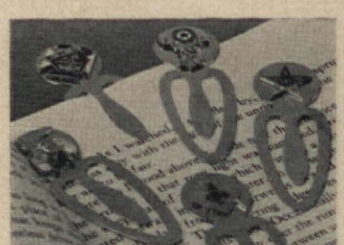

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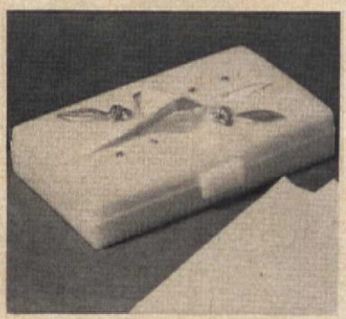
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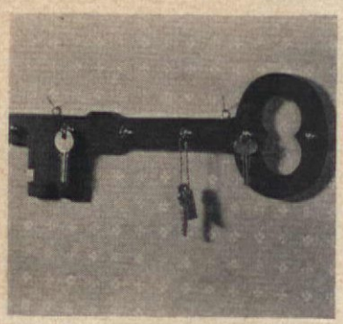
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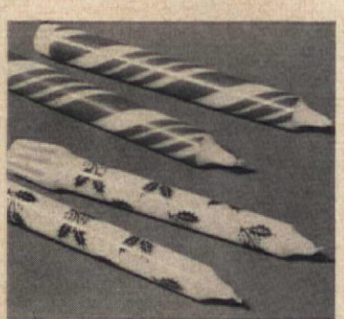
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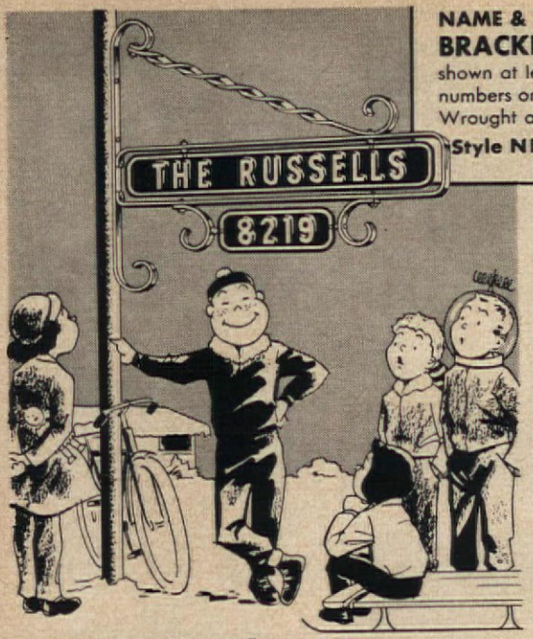
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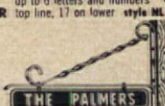

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And from there we take you to see something new and different in houses--an aluminum-clad house that's as practical as it is beautiful and it's priced at $21,000! And in addition to a host of other timely features, you'll find helpful information on paths and walks in a story entitled "Walk in Beauty," a handsome collection of old clocks, and an interesting reading article that tells why a man's best investment is his wife.





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